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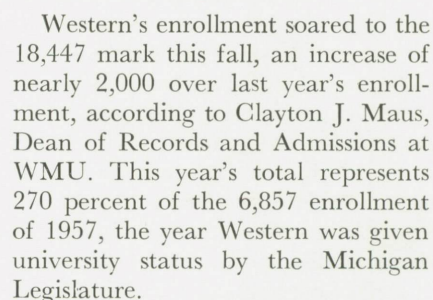
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LETTER

Fall Enrollment at WMU Almost 18,500



Upper level students (juniors, seniors and graduates) represent 58 percent of the enrollment, with underclassmen (freshmen and sophomores) accounting for the remainder.

The number of entering frosh was 3,416 with the big enrollment hike in the upper levels with a much larger than usual number of community college transfers.

The number of graduate students shows the greatest increase over the last 10 years, with 2,593 this year as compared with only 571 in 1957.

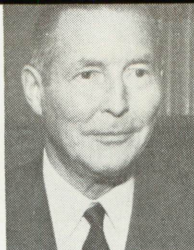
WMU President James W. Miller said of the figures, "Western's enrollment increase reflects the desire of

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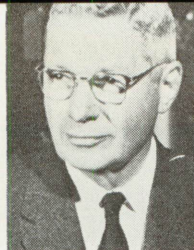
Map shows WMU enrollment from each county plus totals of students from 19 southwestern counties, 22 southeastern counties, etc.

WMU Trustees Connable And Stocker Submit Resignations from Board

Two members of the WMU Board of Trustees—Alfred B. Connable and Dwight L. Stocker, both of Kalamazoo—submitted their resignations to Governor Romney in early October. Both men were named to the Board in 1964 when WMU was given constitutional status and its own governing board under the new



Mr. Connable



Mr. Stocker

Michigan Constitution of 1963. Mr. Connable has served as Board vice chairman.

In submitting their resignations, both men expressed regret that their action became necessary under a state attorney general's opinion of Sept. 26, 1967, which holds that the position of bank director and member of a state institution governing board are incompatible if the board does business with the particular bank. Mr. Connable and Mr. Stocker are directors of banks with which the University has transactions. It has been standard procedure for both

trustees to abstain from voting on any Board actions concerning these banks.

Dr. James W. Miller, WMU president, said, "Western Michigan University will always be grateful for the unselfish, dedicated and effective leadership which Trustees Connable and Stocker have exerted as members of our experienced and outstanding Board of Trustees. Few men can claim a more distinguished record of sensitive, ethical, and responsive service to education in general and to WMU in particular than these two men.

"It is regrettable that laws meant to protect the public interest must be applied so broadly as to deprive public institutions such as WMU from some of their most effective and responsible leadership."

FALL ENROLLMENT cont'd.

community college students to continue their higher education and to earn degrees. It indicates that this University recognizes its responsibility to these young people. With its unique strengths in a number of academic programs and with doctoral offerings in five areas, Western is fourth among Michigan's institutions of higher education not only in numbers, but also in diversity, complexity and level of programs.

"While its offerings have broadened over the last several years, Western continues to be one of the nation's leading producers of teachers. It ranks fourth in the U.S. in number of teachers initially certified in 1966, third in the nation in the number of high school teachers certified, and second in the nation in the number of elementary teachers certified."

Of Western's student body, 16,417 are Michigan residents, 1,774 are from other states and 256 come from foreign countries.

While the southwestern group of Michigan counties showed an increase of 888 over last year, the southeastern counties were close behind with a 786 student gain.

Four Michigan counties showed extra large gains in representation, led by Kalamazoo with a 476 hike, Wayne county with 237 more, Oakland county up 194 and Kent county up 182, over last year.

Total enrollment last year was 16,470.

Friends and Associates of Late Dr. Sangren Can Memorialize Him Through Scholarship Fund

Friends and associates of Dr. Paul V. Sangren, whose dynamic spirit was stilled by death on September 18th, have been asked to direct their appreciation for his long, untiring efforts as Western's second president by contributing to the Paul V. Sangren Scholarship Fund at WMU. Dr. Sangren served as the head of Western from 1936 until retirement in 1960. He was 69 at the time of his death.

During his tenure as president, the institution grew from an enrollment of 1,800 to 8,300 students at his retirement.

He joined Western's education fac-

ulty in 1923, three years after graduation from Eastern Michigan University. Dr. Sangren moved up through Western's faculty ranks to become chairman of the Department of Education, then Dean of Administration, and in 1936 he succeeded the late Dr. Dwight B. Waldo as Western's president.

One of Dr. Sangren's greatest honors—he was the recipient of many honorary degrees—came when Paul V. Sangren Hall, which houses Western's School of Education, was dedicated on Nov. 14, 1964.

Dr. Sangren was long active in the field of education, both nationally and in Michigan, at one time serving as president of the Association of Teacher Education Institutions and also as a member of the National Commission on Teacher Education and Professional Standards.

Before joining Western's faculty he served as superintendent of schools in Clio and Zeeland. He was born and raised in Ravenna.

Dr. Sangren is survived by his wife, Flossie, a son and daughter and several grandchildren.



Dr. Paul V. Sangren

WMU Students Aided Children of Migrant Workers in Michigan

Upwards of 300 migrant workers' children this summer session received instruction in reading, writing, speech and other basic education areas from students enrolled in Western's new training program for the teachers of migrant children. The instruction came under a tri-county program called Cooperative Southwest Region Three Migrant Project, part of the State Department of Education's program to meet the special educational needs of migrant children in Michigan. Involved were Allegan, Berrien and Cass counties.

Medical services and food, clothing and social needs of the migrant families were also administered without cost under the program.

Asia Humanities Seminar Students Have Store of Memories from Summer

Members of the Asia Humanities Seminar—25 students and five faculty—were honored during their trip at a reception in New Delhi by Dr. Zakir Hussain, the president of India. The group left on May 1 with stopovers for tours, lectures and special events in Hawaii, Japan, Hong Kong, Thailand and an extended visit to cities in India.

On their return to the U.S. in mid-August, the group stopped in Athens, Paris and London. Dr. Samuel I. Clark, Director of Honors at WMU, was director of the seminar tour.

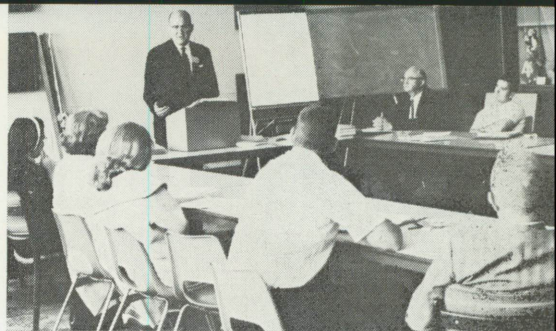
On left, Dr. Samuel Clark watches as Dr. Zakir Hussain, president of India, shakes hands with Marilyn Schudt, a Livonia junior, on right, as James Ball, a Kalamazoo junior, and James Welch, a junior from Holly, watch during New Delhi reception for members of WMU Asia Humanities Seminar.



First Registrar and Admissions Workshop At WMU Great Success

A regular credit two week Registrar and Admissions Workshop held at WMU for the first time in June and July attracted some 20 admissions personnel from throughout the country for the daily sessions led by experts in the field. The workshop was held under the direction of Dr. L. Dale Faunce, professor of education at WMU.

Lectures and discussions covered such topics as "Records and Registration," "Financial Aids," "Foreign Student Admissions" and "Data Processing."



Dr. Faunce addresses workshop members during a session.

Included among the guest lecturers were Dr. Hugh E. Sarles, director of admissions, Wayne State University, and president of the Michigan Association of College Registrars and Admissions Officers, and Gayle Wilson, executive director for admissions at the University of Michigan and president-elect of the American Association of College Registrars and Admissions Officers.

New Frosh Orientation System Involving Parents Is Labeled "Very Successful"

"Very successful," is the way professor Norman Russell, coordinator

of academic counseling at WMU, assesses Western's new approach to incoming freshman orientation which was inaugurated this summer. This year, for the first time, the parents of incoming frosh were invited to visit WMU's campus and stay overnight in University dormitories during their children's three-day orientation session. In the past, only the incoming frosh remained on campus.

WM's Unique MA Program In Preparing Teachers for Deprived Youth Initiated

Sixty newly certified teachers have completed an intensive training program held during the spring and summer sessions at Western Michigan University under a unique master's degree program for the preparation of teachers for the economically and educationally deprived youth. WMU's graduate program is the only one of its kind in Michigan and one of only a few in the nation.

The program, which was an experiment as a pilot project in the summer of 1966, was included in WMU's regular curriculum this spring. The spring session included seminars designed to introduce students to the psychological, cultural and educational background of disadvantaged children and youth.

The summer session featured guided professional laboratory experiences with disadvantaged youth in a campus or school situation.



About one quarter of the parents took advantage of the opportunity to visit WMU, tour the campus, attend special parents' meetings and listen to briefings on student life at WMU, while their children took tests, registered for classes and were also briefed.

From left, Ann Bielak, now a WMU freshman from St. Clair Shores, and parents, Mr. & Mrs. Walter Bielak, enjoyed lunch in residence hall dining room during orientation.





What may become a tradition-steeped symbol of WMU and Miami of Ohio football rivalry got off to a fine start after WMU's 24-14 victory over Miami at Waldo Stadium to open this season. Left to right, WMU senior class president Rick Markoff of Fostoria, Ohio and WMU President James W. Miller accept the new, colorful, six foot long peace-pipe trophy from Dr. Phillip R. Shriver, Miami's president, and Fred Arno, Miami senior class president, following the game. The peace pipe, decorated alternately in Western's and Miami's school colors, will be held by the winning school each year.

The idea for the trophy originated with Markoff and it was made by Terry Moore, a 1965 WMU graduate who was his senior class president. He now is a graduate assistant instructor in WMU's Industrial Education Department.

Coach Charlie Maher Retires; Name Bill Chambers Successor

In mid-September, WMU baseball coach Charlie Maher ended 42 years of coaching the sport at Western but will remain as a professor of men's physical education until his forthcoming retirement on December 31, 1968. In his letter of resignation as baseball coach Maher gave ill health as the reason.

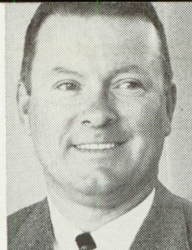
Bill Chambers, who has been Maher's assistant coach for seven years, was named to succeed Charlie.

Dr. Joseph T. Hoy, WMU athletic director, said, "Coach Maher has given unselfishly of his time and talents to assist Western students for more than four decades. For the students, our alumni, myself and my colleagues, I express our deep appreciation for the outstanding job he has done as a coach and as a teacher."

Maher joined Western's faculty in 1925 after graduating from Western, where he was a star catcher and team captain in 1925.



Maher



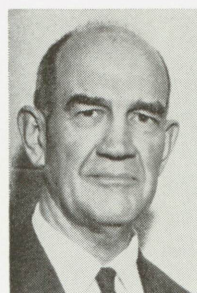
Chambers

He was assistant coach to Judson Hyames and became head coach in 1937, compiling a won-lost record of 439-197.

Chambers grew up in West Virginia, attended the University of Kentucky where he competed in baseball, football and track. He played professional baseball after graduation, then coached and taught in high school before becoming head baseball coach at Marshall University in 1955. In 1960 he came to WMU as Maher's assistant and to teach P.E.

Name Men's P. E. Center After M. J. "Mike" Gary

M. J. "Mike" Gary, who retired this summer as WMU athletic director and head of the Department of Physical Education, was honored this fall as the WMU men's P. E. facility was named the "Mitchell J. Gary Physical Education Center."



Gary had served on Western's faculty since 1928, including 13 years as head football coach and the last 18 years as athletic director and head of the Department of Men's Physical Education.

Several changes in basketball coaching duties have been made with Manley "Bud" Fossen switching from frosh coach to assistant varsity coach. He succeeds Pat Clysdale who is now administrative assistant to athletic director Dr. Joseph Hoy.

Named to succeed Fossen as frosh coach was Edward C. Hager, who has coached at Muskegon High School since 1958. Hager, a

Wisconsin native, is a 1957 graduate of Beloit College.

Rolf Strout senior linebacker from Bridgeport, was named MAC Lineman of the Week as he was in on 24 tackles, 17 solos, in the 24-14 win over Miami.

Though losing by 25 points at Brigham Young, WMU quarterbacks completed 19 passes for 309 yards, new WMU passing records.

Dale (The Toe) Livingston set two new WMU kicking records early this season: a 49 yard field goal against Miami and averaging 49.9 yards on six punts against Brigham Young.

The 22,806 attendance at WMU's homecoming win over Kent State (16-7) broke the previous high of 22,093 set against Miami to open this season.

The 117 yards in penalties walked off against WMU in the 21-8 loss at Arkansas State was the most ever against the Broncos. WMU's 359 yards gained won the statistical battle, however, in that game, as penalties, fumbles or interceptions stopped scoring drives.

In that game split end Marty Barski's eight pass receptions for 145 yards was a new WMU record.

Rick Trudeau, defensive grid halfback and baseball infielder, is vice president of the WMU senior class.

Intramural sports participation at WMU is on the rise under the able direction of Art Jever. Last school year 616 teams took part in the IM program, with that figure being surpassed this year, as 96 touch football teams are competing this fall, nine more than last year.

WMU tennis coach Raymond (Hap) Sorensen received a plaque this fall from the Elkhart (Ind.) Recreation Department for his work in aiding tournaments there. In September he was made honorary referee of the Michigan Open at Elkhart. He coached at Elkhart High before moving to WMU in 1950.

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