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### WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY NEWSLETTER

and alumni events

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### Waldo Library Acquires 500,000th Volume



Peter Spyers-Duran, director of libraries at WMU, accepts Gutenberg Bible from Barbara Bird in front of painting of

Dwight B. Waldo, WMU's first president, for whom the library is named.

Western's Waldo Library passed an historic milestone on September 20 this year when it received its 500,000th volume. The half-millionth book, a facsimile of the Gutenberg Bible weighing 44 pounds, was presented to WMU Director of Libraries Peter Spyers-Duran by Barbara Bird '40 of Grand Rapids, president of the WMU Alumni Association, on behalf of the alumni.

"This is a particularly important event," Spyers-Duran said. "It is evidence that the University and its alumni have a vital interest in providing adequate resources for students and faculty. It is significant that the number of volumes in Waldo Library has doubled over the last three years."

The Gutenberg Bible, the first major book ever to be printed from movable type, was published in 1456. Of the original 200 volumes printed only 47 are in existence, and an original volume recently sold for \$511,000.

In 1961, 996 facsimiles were printed. The copy presented to Waldo Library is No. 384.

"This prestigious gift has practical and scholarly value to our academic community," said Spyers-Duran. "Scholars concerned with the history of printing, medieval studies, graphic arts, and others will find it a most enriching experience to examine this masterpiece."



Two volumes of WMU's Gutenberg Bible dwarf the first book ever acquired by the WMU library in 1905, "The Development of the English Novel."

## Dr. Henry Van Dyke '27 Receives Distinguished Alumni Award

Western's 1968 summer commencement in mid-August was highlighted by the presentation of a Distinguished Alumni Award to Dr. Henry L. Van Dyke '27, professor of chemistry, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and chairman of the Science and Mathematics Division at Alabama State University. He is past president of the National Institute of Science and served as a chemistry specialist for the United States in Indonesia.

In addition, four men received Distinguished Service Awards from WMU:

Bert H. Cooper of Kalamazoo, for his longtime support of WMU's paper technology program and service as chairman of the advisory committee and as president of the Paper Technology Foundation;

Joseph G. Foy of Grand Rapids, president of Spartan Stores, for his service as chairman of the Food Distribution Advisory Committee during the fund raising campaign which made possible WMU's Distributive Education Building;

Ezra Monroe of Midland, for his outstanding leadership on the Chem-

WMU President James W. Miller, left, presents award to Dr. Van Dyke during commencement.





Paul Misner addresses WMU summer commencement.

istry Advisory Committee for many years and his service as chairman of the committee on scholarships;

David I. Weisblat of Kalamazoo, for his many years of distinguished service on the Chemistry Advisory Committee and chairmanship of the committee on library materials, aiding in the acquisition of 5,000 library items, and a \$20,000 grant.

The commencement speaker, Dr. Paul J. Misner, professor of school services at Western, spoke on "The Promise of the Education State." A former president of the American Association of School Administrators, he won national recognition as superintendent of schools at Glencoe, Ill. from 1935-65, when he joined WMU's faculty.

Dr. Misner told the assembled

2,000 graduates, including some 600 students earning advanced degrees, that the U.S. has responded inadequately in the welfare state to such things as "the human problems of poverty, unemployment, crime and illness with legislation designed to alleviate intolerable conditions. In these efforts we have been dealing mainly with the results of the conditions that exist rather than the causes. In the education state we seek to deal directly with the causes rather than with the results."

He predicted that in the future, education will receive the same priorities equal to or greater than are currently attached to the waging of war, the building of inter-state highways and space exploration.

Among the graduates were 53 who received their diplomas with honors, including 26 Cum Laude graduates, 14 Magna Cum Laude graduates, and three who were Summa Cum Laude (with a grade point average of 3.9 or better on a 4.0 scale): Mary A. Grambort and Roger G. Klettke of Kalamazoo and Ann M. DeLavergne of Ludington.

Nearly half of the 5,730 students enrolled in WMU's summer session this year were on the graduate level (2,683) according to Clayton J. Maus, Dean of Admissions and Records, as graduate enrollment continues its accelerated growth at Western. The 1968 summer enrollment was 126 students more than last year.

# Conference on Training for Blind Rehabilitation Ctrs. Draws 25 Leaders to WMU

A three-day conference aimed at reviewing the training goals and curricula for blind rehabilitation centers drew some 25 select administrators and supervisors from such centers from around the nation to Western's campus last summer. Dr. George G. Mallinson, Dean of WMU's School of Graduate Studies and conference chairman, said these reviews included analyzing goals realistically and functionally as well as determining the total number of blind persons who need to be served in such centers.

The group also studied the ratio of staff members to clients, sought out recommendations for using the know-how of colleges and universities, and analyzed the problems of identifying blind persons who need rehabilitation and can be served by the centers.

Among the experts who took part were Douglas C. MacFarland, chief of the Division of Services to the Blind, Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Washington, D.C.; and Russell C. Williams, chief of Blind Rehabilitation, Veterans Administration, Washington, D.C.

## Conference for First Time or the first time served as a mazoo area, a concert in WMU's University Auditorium as part of a

WMU Hosts National ACUHO

Western for the first time served as host this summer to more than 600 college and university housing officials for the 20th annual national conference of the Association of College and University Housing Officers. Thomas J. Carr, housing director at WMU, was chairman of the 20 member 1968 host committee for ACUHO.

The week-long conference included dozens of workshop sessions on a wide variety of specific topics, general sessions, many noted speakers, tours of places of interest in the Kal-

Keynote speaker at the national conference of ACUHO at WMU this summer was Dr. Roger W. Heyns, chancellor of U. of California at Berkeley.



amazoo area, a concert in WMU's University Auditorium as part of a summer series of programs, a giant "Bronco Barbecue" held in the Goldsworth Valley pond area and the conference windup banquet.

The group was housed and ate in residence halls in Goldsworth Valley and all who attended left with compliments for WMU and its facilities.

The keynote speaker during the six-day A.C.U.H.O. meeting at Western was Dr. Roger W. Heyns, chancellor of the University of California at Berkeley. The former vice president of the University of Michigan said the various forms of government in the U.S. are being severely tested by today's youth.

Dr. Heyns said, "There is an enormous value conflict in the world today and youth are not adopting adult values. Youth are doubting the government's ability to solve existing problems and the adequacy of our institutions to cope with such problems."

### WMU OFFERS M.A. IN LATIN

To help alleviate an acute shortage of teachers of Latin, Western will offer an M.A. degree in Latin effective with the 1969 summer session. Dr. Russell H. Seibert, WMU vice president for academic affairs said that more and more WMU students are studying Latin. "Since 1962," he said, "there has been an increase of 270 per cent in the number of students taking elementary Latin at WMU and an increase of 33 per cent in Latin programs above that level."

He pointed out that the shortage stems from increasing school enrollments and

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From left, Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Miholich present check to WMU President Miller as Dr. Morvin Wirtz, head of

WMU Special Education Department, watches.

### Establish Frederick W. Miholich Special Education Loan Fund

The Frederick W. Miholich Memorial Fund for Special Education Loans to WMU students was established in late summer with the presentation of a \$10,000 check to Western by Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Miholich of South Bend, Ind. The loan program is named for their son, who, while a junior at Western, was killed last year in an auto accident.

The fund will be used to provide

financial assistance to special education graduate students at WMU who are preparing to work with handicapped persons. The Miholich's have evidenced great interest in WMU's program for special education teachers and recognized the need for financial assistance to graduate students preparing to work with the handicapped.

CALENDAR—PANORAMA of alumni events

Some 70 members of the WMU Class of 1918 attended Western's day-long festivities for golden anniversary class members on Aug. 16 which concluded with WMU's summer commencement in Read Field House. The activities began with a reunion breakfast honoring 1918 Class members.

WMU President Dr. James W. Miller told the reunioners of current and future changes in Western's ever-changing skyline and mush-rooming academic offerings.

Among those who attended the breakfast were Dr. and Mrs. Henry L. Van Dyke. Dr. Van Dyke received the WMU Distinguished Alumni award during the commencement that evening.

The group toured WMU's campus via bus following the breakfast.

WMU alumna Mrs. Gladys Neis

Mrs. James W. Miller, Dr. Henry L. Van Dyke, and Mrs. Van Dyke were among guests at Class of 1918 breakfast.



of Muskegon reports that the biennial convention of the National Retired Teachers Association, held in Washington, D.C. in late summer, took positive action toward guaranteeing a retirement of dignity, purpose and direction for older persons by approving participation in establishing the Ethel Percy Andrus Gerontology Center at the University of Southern California. She says the center, honoring the late founder of NRTA, will benefit future generations of older people as well.

There are 215,000 retired educators in the NRTA.

Dave Forsman '55 is the new president of the Western Michigan University Alumni Club of the San Francisco Area and Northern California. A business and pulp and paper technology major while at WMU, he is now in charge of sales in northern California for the R-W Paper Co. at Longview, Washington. Forsman resides at Mountain View, Calif., with his wife and three sons.

He has been a west coast resident since 1958 after first joining the Rhinelander (Wisconsin) Paper Co.



Dave Forsman

in 1955 after graduation.

Forsman says he plans a picnic for late October in the Palo Alto area for members of his alumni club chapter.

WMU's Bronco Club and the Alumni W-Club this summer set a goal of \$25,000 for the 1968 Mike Gary Scholarship Fund drive, which began in July. Gary was the long-time WMU athletic director who retired last year.

Three former Broncos helped get the fund rolling by making substantial contributions: Bob Rowe, now a defensive tackle with the NFL St. Louis Cardinals; Chuck Koselke, playing pro baseball; and Dale Livingston, ace kicker with the AFL Cincinnati Bengals.

Dr. Joe Hoy, WMU athletic director, pointed out that some 165 WMU athletes received financial aid in the 1967-68 school year. Fourteen of these athletes made the scholastic Dean's List during the year, requiring a 3.5 grade average on a 4.0 scale, and 73 had a B grade average or better.

A Korean coed at Western did a turnabout before graduating in WMU's August commencement by presenting a graduation gift to WMU President James W. Miller, his family, and anyone who visits The Oaklands, Dr. Miller's campus residence.

The gift from Miss Chung Sook Shin, who received an M.A. degree, was a lovely painting of a Korean landscape that she had commissioned through her parents in Seoul, Korea. She said the gift was to show her appreciation to Western, its faculty and especially to Dr. Miller for the consideration shown her during her year at Western, where she studied under a WMU fellowship.

The painting now hangs prominently in The Oaklands.

Upon her return to Korea this winter, Miss Shin, who is a graduate of Ewha Women's University in Seoul, had planned to teach in the education department of a Korean college.





A highlight of the 1968 summer session was the Waldo Library "Randall Frazier Memorial Book Exhibit" of materials on the black race, as viewed in this photo by (L to R) Alumni Director John Lore, associate professor of art Robert P. Johnston who designed the exhibit, and Director of Libraries Peter Spyers-Duran. The exhibit, which was housed in three separate glass cases, honored the late Randall Frazier, '32, employed at Waldo Library for many years and an unofficial student recruiter for WMU.

The memorial fund in his name was created in 1966 as part of WMU's Alumni Annual Giving Campaign after its conception by a committee of WMU alumni, to secure books and non-book materials depicting the contributions of black people to the American society. To date, more than 200 books are included in the Randall Frazier Collection.

Spyers-Duran says WMU is actively increasing the purchase of black mate-

#### LATIN continued

the fact that Latin is now being taught in the 7th and 8th grades, not just in high school.

Western will thus join Wayne State and the University of Michigan as the only state schools offering an M.A. degree in Latin.

rials and has received a list of available books on the black man in America from the Detroit Urban League.

Mr. Frazier left Western in 1943 and joined the Inkster School System, where he became athletic director of Inkster High School and later served as an elementary school principal until his death in 1961. An elementary school in Inkster is now named for him.

#### SPORTS REFLECTIONS

ALUMNI ATHLETES-WMU grads are making it big in pro football this year. Bob Lurtsema is again a regular defensive tackle with the New York Giants. Bob Rowe is the St. Louis Cards' number three defensive tackle. Lovell Coleman, after 10 years, is still in the Canadian league, with Calgary, as is Dave Mollard, with Hamilton. Rolf Strout was with the Atlanta Falcons and Gary Rowe was with Ottawa in Canada. Dale Livingston, WMU's greatest kicker, in his first league game with the AFL Cincinnati Bengals, averaged 45 yards on 12 punts, kicked two field goals and an extra point and kicked-off into the end zone 3 of 4 times. He made a 49 yard field goal in his next game. Orv Schneider reinjured the foot which forced him to miss much of the 1967 WMU season and left Washington's training camp, but

with an invitation to return when healed; he would have made the squad, but has elected to wait until next season. Pete Mitchell was with the Cleveland Browns.

Rick Trudeau signed with the Cleveland farm system this summer and went to the West Carolinas League.

Jack Streidl, coach and athletic director at Plainwell High 22 years, was honored Aug. 20 at a "Jack Streidl Day" golf outing and dinner by townspeople. He was a WMU lineman, including the 1941 team, WMU's last unbeaten.

FOOTBALL—Waldo Stadium permanent seating has been expanded to 19,500, with additional high-rise end zone seats. The stadium, with seating on the slope next to the press box plus temporary bleachers, can now hold about 25,000 persons.

WMU extended its home winning string to 12 with the 20-0 win over Arkansas State, which was coach Bill Doolittle's 5th straight opening game win.

The Mid-American Conference football titlist will go to the Tangerine Bowl at Orlando, Fla., on Dec. 27 to face the winner of the Southern Conference crown, under a two year contract. The opposition will come from among: Richmond, V.M.I., Furman, The Citadel, Davidson, William and Mary, and East Carolina.

Even before the 1968 season began, WMU lost two star linemen: junior John Nowack, linebacker, who lost his left arm in a tragic summer accident, and center Gene Hamlin, a senior, who was ruled to have used up his varsity eligibility, based on a year of varsity play while a freshman at Northern Michigan. He was being touted as All-American material this year.

BASEBALL—Coach Bill Chambers will lead his team into the University of Albuquerque week-long tourney in New Mexico next March.

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