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The Homer L. J. Carter Reading Council elected the following officers for this school year:

Jennie Schneider, President, Kalamazoo Public Schools.

Leona Hefner, President-Elect, Portage Public Schools.

Blanche O. Bush, Past President, Kalamazoo Public Schools.

Betty LeRoy, Secretary, Gull Lake Community Schools.

Lois VanDenBerg, Treasurer, Western Michigan University.

Jeanne Hightower, Membership Chairman, Kalamazoo Public Schools.

Ronald Crowell, Publicity Chairman, Western Michigan University.

This year's program promises to be one of the best ever and will be highlighted by a visit, at the November meeting, from the president of the International Reading Association, Dr. Leo Fay. The theme of the total program this year is "Creative Adventures in Reading."

The first meeting will be held Thursday, September 26 at 7:30 P.M. in room 215 of the Western Michigan University Student Center. Dr. Richard Percy, Superintendent of the Kalamazoo Public Schools, will speak on "Reading and the Social Scene."

A workshop featuring the actual production of reading aids and materials will be held Thursday, October 24, at Hillside Junior High School. The program will be preceded by a potluck supper at 5:45 P.M. and all people are urged to attend this also. There will be a materials fee of \$2.00 for this program only.

Dr. Leo Fay will speak at the third meeting, Thursday, November 21, in room 159 of the W.M.U. Student Center at 7:30 P.M. His address is entitled "Progress Breeds Problems." This outstanding program will be co-sponsored by the Calhoun Reading Council.

"Camel Halts, Fezzes, and the Tales of the Hodja" will be presented at the February 20th meeting by Gerry Blanchard, Director of the Instructional Materials Center for the Waterford Township Schools. This program will be held in Portage at the North Junior High School Little Theatre.

As in the past, the final meeting will be the annual dinner meeting featuring the President of the Michigan Reading Association, Norma Conklin, from Ferris State College. Her topic will be "It's Later Than We Think." Dinner will be at 6:30 P.M. in room 159 of the W.M.U. Student Center.