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TOWARDS AN MA DEGREE

Ten Graduate Fellows Begin Year Of Study, Work on WMC Campus

Ten graduate students this fall will begin duties in various academic departments of the college under fellowships enabling them to study towards their master of arts degrees.

Stipends of $750 for two semesters are provided, in exchange for which the graduate student contributes fifteen hours of work each week to the department to which he is assigned.

This marks the third year of the fellowship program on the Western campus.

Miss Meiko Abe will come from Japan to work in the department of librarianship, where her special interest will be in the children's library.

Two WMC graduates will work in the field of music. Ralph J. Merritt '54 leaves the Army to return to the campus. His interesting assignment recently has been with the White House Army Signal Agency. Top drum major for the last four years, Richard Swinsick, will again perform on the gridiron this fall, continuing his music studies on the graduate level.

Other Western graduates returning for graduate work are Beverly Black in biology and education; Richard K. Bryant, art; William S. Fox, sociology, and William J. Yankee, psychology. Yankee has served with the local police department and is now friend of the court for Kalamazoo County.

Mrs. Rama Janson, an Alma College graduate, will be in the business studies department.

Two others coming from foreign lands are Johannes Rasmussen, an elementary teacher in Denmark, who will work in the areas of education and vocational education, and Miss

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Introduce Twenty New Faculty Members

A second contingent of new faculty members is introduced to you in this issue of the News Letter, marking 43 persons added for the beginning of college classes this fall. The final listing will appear in the October issue.

The hiring of new faculty members is a time consuming job, involving the talents and efforts of a number of college administrators and teachers. Despite the highly competitive nature of the search each year for capable new faculty, President Paul V. Sangren feels that Western Michigan has made many worthwhile additions to the teaching staff again this year.

With college classes already underway, attention is now being turned seriously to the problem of staffing the classrooms another year.

Brief sketches of those coming to Western this fall follow.

David W. Adams, assistant professor of education. Formerly assistant to the dean of the New York City Community College, Adams is a native of Indiana. Educated at Ohio Wesleyan and New York University, he had been on the faculty of the NYC Community College since 1953. Married, two sons.

Philip S. Denenfeld, assistant professor of English. A graduate of Wayne and Northwestern, Denenfeld is now completing doctoral requirements at the latter school. Since 1951 he has taught at Northwestern and Wilson JC in Chicago. Married, one son.

Dr. Margaret S. Hersey, medical director, health service. Dr. Hersey, whose husband is also an MD, has spent the last year on the staff of the Kalamazoo State hospital. She studied at the University of California and Columbia University. Has also served with the Massachusetts and Michigan state health departments.

Dr. Clayton A. Holaday, assistant professor of English. Formerly from Grand Ledge, he has taught since 1949 at Louisiana State University. Dr. Holaday holds degrees from Miami, Western Reserve and Indiana. Married, three children.

Waldemar E. Klammer, assistant professor of industrial arts. Comes to Western Michigan from Blue Earth, Minn., to teach electricity. A graduate of Mankato State and The Stout Institute. Married, two children.

Alice E. Lewis, assistant professor of occupational therapy. A graduate of Mt. Holyoke College, with an OT certificate from Western, Miss Lewis has been studying at the University of Southern California for her MA this last year. She served four years as rehabilitation coordinator at the Springbrook Sanitarium, Aurora, Ill.

Dr. Joseph C. McCully, assistant professor of mathematics. A WMC graduate and former high school teacher in Hawaii and Washington, Dr. McCully has taught at the Universities of South Dakota and Rhode Island. Advanced degrees from the University of Michigan. Married, three sons.

John J. McNally, assistant professor of English. A Chicagoan, McNally has taught at Iowa State Teachers, Illinois Tech and Wright JC.
He is a graduate of Loyola University and is now completing his doctorate at the University of Chicago. Married, two children.

Dr. George E. Mowrer, vocational guidance expert, school of applied arts and sciences. Dr. Mowrer has been director of guidance services for the Missouri department of education since 1948. He holds three degrees from the University of Missouri, and has received national recognition for his work. From 1950 to 1952 was president of the National Association of Guidance Supervisors and Counselor Trainees. Married, three children.

Dr. Robert C. Nagler, assistant professor of chemistry. A teacher at Purdue's Calumet Center since 1953, will teach in the field of organic chemistry. A graduate of William Penn College, University of Missouri and University of Iowa. Married, two children.

Dr. William F. Reynolds, assistant professor of psychology. A cum laude graduate of Syracuse University, Dr. Reynolds comes here after completing graduate studies at the University of Iowa. Married, two children.

Dr. Robert C. Seber, assistant professor of mathematics. A native of Iowa, Dr. Seber is a graduate of Coe College, with advanced degrees from the State University of Iowa. Has also taught at Rockford College and Wisconsin State, Eau Claire. Married, two children.

Ann Shaw, assistant professor of speech. Work in creative dramatics and children's theatre will occupy Miss Shaw, a graduate of Colorado Woman's College and Northwestern University. She has taught creative dramatics in Evanston, Ill., past four years, and was featured in an article on the subject in the January, 1956, issue of Mademoiselle.

Sarah Jane Stroud, eighth grade teacher, campus training school. Mrs. Stroud has taught junior high students both in Vicksburg and Kalamazoo. A graduate of Kalamazoo College, she received her MA from Western in 1955. Married, two sons.

Dr. Frederick H. Trezevant, assistant professor of languages. From Marietta, Ga., Dr. Trezevant went to Mexico City College for baccalaureate and master's degrees, and received his doctorate this summer from the Universite de Neuchatel in Switzerland. Has taught at Marietta and the University of Missouri. Married, two daughters.

Dr. Leo C. VanderBeek, assistant professor of biology. A magna cum laude graduate at Western in 1952, Dr. VanderBeek received his doctorate from the University of Michigan this year. He has been a teaching and research fellow there since 1953. Married, four children.

Gertrude Wolinski, assistant professor of mathematics. Mrs. Wolinski was reared in Poland, where after her education she joined the Polish underground movement of World War II. In 1947 she went to Britain and five years later came to Battle Creek, where she has worked for Post Cereals. She has a master of philosophy degree in mathematics from the University of Warsaw.

Elaine Zimmerman, assistant professor of chemistry. Miss Zimmerman graduated from Greenville Col-
Dr. D. C. Shilling, a 31-year veteran of the Western Michigan College faculty, died August 16 at Petoskey where he and his wife had planned a three-week vacation.

Dr. Shilling retired in 1952 after serving as head of the political science department. A graduate of Miami University and the University of Wisconsin, he had taught at Miami, Eastern Michigan and Monmouth Colleges before coming to Western in 1921.

In addition to his classroom duties he was active in civic affairs as a trustee of Bronson Methodist hospital, an official of the First Methodist church, a member of the city planning board and the city zoning board of appeals.

He also received appointments from both Governors Murphy and Fitzgerald to serve on a state committee on the reorganization of state government.

In 1944 he was honored by Ohio Northern University with the granting of an honorary degree of doctor of pedagogy.

Dr. Shilling leaves his wife, Zoa.

October Football
October 6—At Marshall (night)
October 13—Toledo (Homecoming)
October 20—At Washington
October 27—At Great Lakes

The 1956 summer session had an enrollment of 2,111, including 1,367 undergraduates and 744 graduates. This was the second highest year in the college's history.