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Does it look familiar? Here are the snows of yesteryear, the forest primeval, ivied walls, buildings old and buildings new, a huddle with the kids from Campus School, a moment of concentration in the library, and a rock tossed into a pool of springtime memories.
WUS Drive Successful

More than $800 was collected for the World University Service fund drive at Western during an intensive campaign last February and March. This is approximately double the previous collection record.

Assemblies, hot dog sales, jalopy raffle, dessert sacrifices, Chinese auction, and other methods were used to raise money for the drive. Much credit for its success belongs to Molly Torticil, Seattle senior, who was WUS Committee Chairman.

Proceeds go to assist less fortunate students in foreign countries.

Everett Pastor to Offer Baccalaureate Address

Dr. Mortimer Menville Stocker, Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Everett, will deliver the Baccalaureate address in the Auditorium-Music Building, Sunday, June 8. Dr. Stocker came to his present position from Woodland Park Church, Seattle. He studied at such institutions as Lafayette College, Easton, Pa.; Princeton; and the University of Berlin. During World War I he served with the O.T.S., U.S. Army.

Ordained to the ministry of the Presbyterian Church on May 19, 1920, Dr. Stocker has spent the greater part of his life in the Northwest. He has served as Executive Secretary of the Synod of Washington, Seattle, since 1944 and as a trustee of Whitworth College, Westminster Fund. Dr. Stocker holds the A.B., A.M., and D.P. degree and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Commencement Scheduled June 13; Oregon Educator to Address Grads

Commencement, proud moment in the lives of more than 300 Western seniors and graduate students this year, will take place Friday, June 13. Once again the traditional procession will wind its way across the campus and down the aisles of the Auditorium to stately music provided by Orchestra. Conferring of degrees will follow an address by Dr. O. Meredith Wilson, president of the University of Oregon.

Dr. Wilson has enjoyed an active teaching and administrative career. A graduate of Brigham Young University in 1934, he did his graduate work at the Universities of Heidelberg, London and California, and was granted his Ph. D. degree at California in 1943.

He has taught at Brigham Young University, the University of Utah and the University of Chicago. He was also a dean at both Utah and Chicago, and was appointed ninth president of the University of Oregon in 1954. He was associated with the Fund for the Advancement of Education from 1952 to 1954.

Dr. Wilson has achieved national recognition for his services to higher education. Among many assignments he has served as chairman of the Commission on the Rights, Liberties and Responsibilities of the American Indian; chairman of the Committee on College Teaching, of the American Council of Education; president of the State Universities Association; member of the Executive Committee of the National Commission on Accrediting; member of the Board of Trustees, Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching; member of the Board of Trustees of the Educational Testing Service; and a member of a panel of distinguished speakers of Phi Beta Kappa Associates.

Dr. Wilson is also a member of the American Historical Society, the American Academy of Political and Social Sciences, and Phi Beta Kappa.

Winter Enrollment Exceeds Fall Figure

For the first time in several years, winter enrollment at Western this year exceeded the fall figure. Some 2,184 students were admitted during January, as compared with a fall figure of 2,164.

The 1958 figure represents an increase of nearly 10 per cent over the preceding winter. Enrollment went up despite a tightening of entrance standards for transfer students and of retention standards for all students.

Four counties furnished nearly three fourths of the winter enrollment, according to the Registrar. From Whatcom County came 904 students, about 41 per cent; from King, 321; from Skagit, 156; and from Snohomish County, 135. Out-of-state areas providing the largest enrollments are Canada, 43; Alaska, 26; California, 11; Oregon, 10; and Hawaii, 8.

Farthest from home were students from Ethiopia, India, Japan and Scotland, one from each country.

Thirty-seven counties, 23 states, two territories and five foreign countries were represented among the student body.

BETWEEN THE LINES—Black robed and tasseled, the graduates of 1957 symbolize the thousands who have taken part and who will take part in Western’s impressive Commencement march. President Haggard, trustees, commencement speaker and minister are seen walking between the lines of graduates during the 58th annual program last June.
Distinguished Jurist Chosen To Speak at Alumni Banquet

Alumni from near and far will renew acquaintances and swap recollections of College days during Western's annual reunion and banquet, Saturday, May 10. Judge Warner Poyhonen, class of 1928, distinguished jurist from Grays Harbor County, will be the principal speaker. Honor groups will be the classes of '08, '33 and '58.

Again this year the annual business meeting of the Alumni Association will precede the banquet. This is the only business meeting for the entire membership during the year, and Alumni President Art Runestrand urges everyone to be on hand at 4:30 p.m. in the Auditorium-Music Building.

At 5:30 alumni will gather in the Social Room of Edens recently completed. North Hall to renew friendships and enjoy the view of the City. The banquet is scheduled for 6 p.m. in the Edens Hall Dining Room.

Judge Poyhonen, a native of Winlock, was a two-year graduate of "Bellingham Normal" in 1924, a three-year graduate in 1928. He earned his law degree at the University of Washington in 1931.

The speaker's career has been about equally divided between two professions—education and law. Between 1925 and 1931 he taught first at Tono Elementary Schools and then at Hoquiam Junior High. Then for the next ten years he was principal of Lincoln Elementary School in Hoquiam.

In 1941 Judge Poyhonen entered private law practice in Hoquiam. Since 1950 he has been Judge of the Superior Court of Grays Harbor County.

In addition to private practice, he served as Police Judge from 1941 to 1948 and as City Attorney for Hoquiam from 1948 to 1950. For two years he was a member of the State Legislative and of the State Legislative Council.

But Judge Poyhonen did not abandon his interest in education when he began to practice law. Since 1948 he has been a member of the Hoquiam School Board. Since 1952 he has been on the executive committee of the Washington State School Directors' Association.

Among other highlights of the banquet will be presentation of the fourth annual "Outstanding Teacher of the Year" award, sponsored by Kappa Delta Pi. Selection this year will be made from the Class of 1956.

Mrs. Jean Shephard Will End 15 Years of College Service

Mrs. Jean Shephard will resign from the faculty at the end of Spring quarter to assist her husband in developing their farm near Glacier, Washington.

Mrs. Shephard, born and reared in Eastern Washington and educated in Washington State College and Columbia University, taught in Washington and New York state high schools prior to coming to Western. She joined the faculty in 1943, serving first as a supervisor in the then-existent Campus Junior High, and later as a field supervisor of high school student teachers.

She has contributed greatly to Western's teacher training program through her scholarly background and her profound understanding of the importance of both technique and content to successful high school teaching.

Speaking of her work Dr. Hawk, Director of Teacher Training, said, "She is one of the few people who have come out of the traditional high school who have understood and practiced the technique of bringing together, in problem solving learning situations, the content of traditional subject matter fields and problems which have meaning for senior high school students."

Faculty on Leave

Three members of the faculty will be on leave of absence during the academic year from September, 1958, to June, 1959.

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Ciszek in Africa

Special leave to conduct track field clinics in South Africa has been granted this quarter to Ray Ciszek, chairman of Western's Men's Physical Education Department.

Sponsored by the International Education Exchange Service, Department of State, the assignment is similar to one undertaken in the Far East three years ago by Jesse Owens, legendary track star of the '30's. Owens was a recent speaker on Western's Artists and Lecturers Series.

With Ciszek on the three-month tour are Mrs. Ciszek and their oldest son. They were to fly to Johannesburg via New York and London, leaving March 27.

OPEN HOUSE PLANNED FOR SPOKANE MEETING

Western will maintain its usual headquarters in Rooms 215-16 of the Davenport Hotel in Spokane during the meeting of the Inland Empire Education Association there April 9-11.

On Thursday afternoon, April 10, Open House will be held from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in Room 216. A cordial invitation is extended to alumni and friends of the College.

Attorney, Wife Active in Cause of Public Schools

Lyle Summers, '28, is one Western alumnus who has left the teaching profession but has maintained an interest in the public schools. The Seattle attorney and his wife, the former Jean Phillipi, (also an alum), are active in three PTA associations, one for each of their three boys.

They have rung hundreds of doorbells, campaigning for Seattle school measures, and Lyle served as a member of the speaker’s bureau to support school tax levies. He is active in YMCA and summer camp programs, and in Little League affairs.

At WWCE he was business manager of the student newspaper and president of the ASB. He took part in debate and dramatics, and managed to qualify for the scholarship society.

Lyle recalls living with George Dak, school gardener, whose voice still rings in the memories of many Westerners of the '20's and '30's.

After teaching for two years in Ana­
cortes, Summers entered the University of Washington Law School. Now a member of the State Bar Association, he lives at 4011 Densmore St., Seattle. He would like to hear from former classmates.

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A variety of outstanding programs will be offered at Western this summer. Preregistration date is May 17, by appointment to avoid overcrowding at certain hours. Undergraduates may obtain preregistration forms from the Registrar and preregister by mail, if they desire, between May 19 and June 14.

Summer session will begin June 23, with the six-week session ending August 1, the nine-week session August 22. A special three-week session will be offered between August 4 and August 22.

SUMMER CONFERENCES

“A Good Personnel Program” will be the theme of the annual summer conference, July 27 and 28, with Dr. John H. Fischer as leader and conference speaker. Included in his three addresses will be a discussion of merit rating for teachers.

Dr. Fischer is Superintendent of the Baltimore Public Schools. His wide knowledge of personnel problems is the result of nearly 30 years experience in a variety of positions in Baltimore public education. He is much in demand as a speaker on educational problems.

Meeting August 4, 5, 6 and 7 will be the annual summer conference of the Washington Junior High School Principals’ Association. Edwin W. Olmstead, principal of Madison Junior High School, Los Angeles, will be the leader. The theme will be Junior High School Education for Pupils of Varied Abilities.

SOME SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Courses in Creative Dramatics and Children’s Theater will be taught by Dr. William Gregory of the Speech Department. The latter deals with various aspects of presenting plays with children as well as for them. It is scheduled for the three-week session.

Also for the first time, an opportunity to prepare for positions in psychological services will be offered. This is designed to help meet a growing need for highly trained guidance administrators, counselors, psychometrists, test co-ordinators, and teaching or administrative specialists in such fields as remedial reading, speech correction, and problems of the slow learner, the gifted child, the maladjusted, or the physically handicapped.

Among basic requirements is successful teaching experience. On the average, three 9-week summer sessions will be required. Address inquiries to Dr. Maurice Freehill at the College.

In the field of Home Economics, Mrs. Kitty Rotruck will conduct a workshop August 18 to 29 in the Bishop Method of Clothing Construction. This involves applying certain procedures used in the clothing industry to home sewing.

Mrs. Rotruck has presented the Bishop Method in practical workshop sessions throughout the country.

YEAR BY YEAR

Vale N. Tabor lives in Burlington. Although kept busy by her apparel store she still retains an active interest in “little theatre.” In college days she played the lead in “The Girl with the Green Eyes.”

Vivia Suti is still actively engaged in teaching. She teaches second grade at the Laurelhurst School, Portland, Oregon.

Mrs. Thomas Burke, formerly Eva Slater, retired from teaching two years ago, although she still does substitute teaching upon occasion. Mrs. Burke lives at Maple Falls, R.I.

Selma E. Giese of Seattle is the Secretary of the Anti-Tuberculosis League of King County.

Paul R. Washke is a Professor of Physical Education at the University of Oregon.

Kenneth E. Selby of Seattle is an Assistant Superintendent of Schools.

Carl F. Jenne is Superintendent of Schools, Central Kitsap.

Mrs. Frannie Edgerton Johnson retired from teaching in 1956 after 33 years of service in Olympia.

Mary Ethel Woods states that after coming out of retirement to teach in 1956-58 she will retire once and for all this year.

Vera Whitney, now living at Camas, Washington, is employed by Crown Zellerbach Corporation, Camas Division, as Women’s Personnel Supervisor.

Katherine Hughes (Mrs. John L. Osborn) is a Science Librarian at Oregon State College.

Katherine Reedy is employed in the Accounting Department of the Seattle Times.

Bernice Irene Orwig is now living in Portland, Oregon. She is the Director of Nursing Education at the University of Portland College of Nursing.

Ralph E. Dever is State Supervisor of Trade and Industrial Education, at Olympia.

O. Robert Anderson lives at San Jose, California. He is on the faculty of the University of Santa Clara.

Lina C. McCoy, city librarian at Brewster, Washington, recently published “Western Homespun Verse.” Inspiration for some of the poems came from her teaching experience in remote Colville Indian Reservation, where she rode horseback to school with her pupils. Mrs. McCoy’s articles and poems have appeared in some 30 publications, among them the WEA Journal.

Donald Oates is Superintendent of Schools at Lake Stevens, Washington.

Leona Kjols of Edmonds, Washington, has two sons, Tom and Larry, now attending WWCE.

Ruth Pearson, now Mrs. Herman Tegenfeldt, is serving as a missionary in Myanmar, Burma.

Joseph C. Dolan of Tacoma is an Associate Professor of Education at College of Puget Sound.

Martha Nelson, now Martha Osby, is teaching in the Oakland system, while living at San Leandro, California.

Evelyn Crouch Buckley is a school psychologist in the Shoreline Public Schools, King County, Washington.


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Margaret L. Hiatt is an Associate Professor of Education at the Oregon College of Education.

Shirley J. Swank teaches in the Commercial Department of the Mercer Island High School.

Russell E. Cammon is a Correctional Officer at McNeil Island, Washington.

Bill B. Knapp is an Industrial Arts teacher in Forks, Washington.

Harvey Gallant of Everett, Washington is an instructor at Everett Junior College.

Joan Cornell Rowe is on the faculty of the University of Minnesota, where she and her husband, William, are both doing graduate work. She has taught two years at Silver Beach and one year at Whatcom Junior High School and at Edmonds. She spent a summer at the University of Mexico, and for the past three summers worked with the YMCA.

Meech Houghton is now employed as an engineer at Boeing’s Eastsound, Washington, plant.

Gary H. Douglas is employed as a case worker by the State Department of Public Assistance.

Lee R. H. Ayers is a coach and teacher at Twin City, Washington.
Science Building Will Be Ready For Use Within Two Years

Only a few months remain before construction of Western's new Science Building will begin, and occupancy is expected by the spring of 1960. Architect Paul Thiry's preliminary plans for a building of some 96,000 square feet have been approved. For construction and fixed furnishings, $2,288,800 has been allocated, and for purchase of scientific equipment, $100,000. As a result, Western should have one of the best equipped science education plants in the Northwest.

FIRST FLOOR

The first floor features a suite of rooms for science education classes, including a curriculum workroom and a display area. Of special value to student teachers working on science projects, this area will also be a place where returning teachers and teachers in the community will find facilities to work with ideas and materials. Also on the first floor are geology laboratories, shops for construction and repair of science equipment, storerooms, space for future laboratories, and provisions for installing a seismograph.

SECOND FLOOR

The second floor is devoted to chemistry, physics, a science reading room and an administrative office. The chemistry area will have well-equipped laboratories for general chemistry, qualitative and quantitative analysis, organic chemistry and physical chemistry. Physics laboratories are provided for general physics, electricity and magnetism, optics and nuclear physics.

THIRD FLOOR

On the third floor are laboratories for general physical science, general biology, botany, zoology, anatomy and physiology, and microbiology. Provision has been made for an aquarium and a plant room. A special feature of this floor is a planetarium with a 24-foot dome. The roof includes a penthouse for a live animal room, a greenhouse, and facilities for telescopic observation.

Each floor has terraced lecture rooms, faculty offices and student project rooms for individual and independent study.

In planning the building, members of the Science staff have visited similar buildings and laboratories in Washington, Oregon and California.

SUB May Open In Fall of 1959; Levels Described

Preliminary plans for the new Union Building have been approved. This action was taken at a March meeting of the Board of Trustees. Earlier, the joint student-faculty Union Planning Committee and the Board of Control had gone on record as favoring the scheme used by Mr. Bassetti as a basis for the plan.

Fred Bassetti, the award-winning Seattle architect commissioned to design the building, hopes to give it "human dimension through a lively and spirited use of materials." He is also consulting Paul Thiry, the campus planner, in regard to blending the architectural style with existing and future campus buildings.

FOUR STORIES

Preliminary sketches indicate a four-story rectangular structure on the High Street hillside with a striking view of Bellingham Bay, the San Juan Islands, and the city. Entrance will be possible at three levels, the main entrance being at the third level. This arrangement will allow almost complete independence of operations on each floor.

The first level contains student publications, a games area and work shop; Second level contains a 275-seat coffee shop, barber shop, and TV Lounge; Third level (main floor) contains a combination of lounge areas which can be opened into one large ballroom, Union offices, powder room, and service areas; The upper level will be devoted entirely to student government and organizations with conference rooms. Total floor space will be about 30,000 square feet.

THREE PHASES

This structure will represent phase one of the three-phase Union Building program at Western. Phase two probably will be a bookstore and recreation area connected to phase one by a terraced garden and covered walkways. Phase three will be a commons dining area connected to phase one in such a way that it can be combined with the lounge space to create a ballroom for about 1,200 dancers.

The joint student-faculty committee has been at work for more than a year developing priorities and space relationships. The site has recently been purchased, and it is expected that construction might begin as early as June. It is hoped that the building will be ready for occupancy and in operation for the opening of fall quarter 1959.
Science Educator, WWCE Graduate, Wins Recognition

A Western graduate, class of 1937, has received the Seventh Science Education Recognition Award. He is Dr. Herbert Clark Hubler, now teaching science at Wheelock College in Boston. He was 1955-56 president of the National Council for Elementary Science.

The award is given annually by the National Association for Research in Science Teaching to persons who have made distinguished contributions in this field.

At Bellingham Dr. Hubler studied with Miss Leona Sundquist, now chairman of Western's Science Department. He did his graduate work at Columbia University.

Dr. Hubler is the author of numerous magazine articles and a recent book, “Working With Children in Science.”

WWCollegian Best ESPA Newspaper

The Western Washington Collegian has been rated the top student newspaper of the 11 Evergreen Conference Colleges.

The award was presented to Ronn Beams, editor, last November, climaxing a two-day annual meeting of the Evergreen State Press Association at Cheney. Judges rated the Collegian as best "from the standpoint of social, political and academic maturity." They also commended the paper for its makeup and variety.

Beams, one of 10 Western students attending the conference, is majoring in history, minoring in journalism.

The ESPA decided to hold next year’s conference at Western, and elected Ken Robertson, former Collegian editor, as new ESPA director.

Student Loan Fund Is Tribute
To Memory of Mrs. Olive Bruce

Mrs. Olive Bruce died last August at the age of 87. But the Student Loan Fund she founded at Western Washington College is a lasting tribute to her memory. Four years ago the loan fund’s 50th anniversary was the occasion for a story about Mrs. Bruce in the Collegian. The story began in the early 1900’s, when Mrs. Bruce was living in a house located where the College Library now stands.

"The students were very poor, and had to fight for an education," Mrs. Bruce told Roger Grovdahl, the Collegian reporter. "Sometimes they didn’t have soles on their shoes."

Observing the need for a loan system for needy students, Mrs. Bruce met with Effie Wheeler, president of the Class of 1904, and decided on a plan. Mrs. Bruce was to obtain anecdotes of college life from the students and write a two-act play.

When the script was ready, she directed the production and put a good amount of her own money into it. But the house was sold out long before the first presentation, and the show made a profit.

From such beginnings the loan fund has grown to $38,900.

"Take pride in the loan fund, and take pride in paying borrowed money back," Mrs. Bruce advised the students. "Repaying a loan builds character. The scholarship system is fine, but it does not build character like the repaying of a loan."

A Sequoia tree, started by her, stands near Edens Hall. It is known to old timers as the Olive Bruce Sequoia.

Like the loan fund, it is still growing.

Col. Quentin Quick, ‘31, Killed in Crash

Col. Quentin Quick, class of ‘31, was killed in a jet plane crash in Alabama, February 10. He served as a fighter pilot in World War II and later became a career officer in the Air Force.

Friends of Col. Quick will remember him as a prominent figure in forensics and athletics during his two years at the "Normal," 1929-31. He was also student body president.

The crash occurred on a routine flight following engine difficulty. The colonel bailed out, but his parachute did not open. Burial was in Arlington, Va., National Cemetery.

Col. Quick commanded the 419th Squadron of the 301st Bomber Group and flew 35 bombing missions, including the North African campaign. His decorations included the Silver Star, Flying Cross, and Air Medal.
BECAUSE IT'S THERE—That famous quotation, the reason why mountaineers are forever restlessly scrambling over snow and granite, crosses the minds of these Westerners as Baker looms like some giant ice cream sundae on the horizon. New strength for tired muscles and new determination comes to the climbers as their goal seems close at hand.

NOT THE LEAST of the pleasures of mountaineering is the pause in the day's occupation that is known as "chow time." A sandwich never tastes so good as when it has been lugged on one's back for a dozen or so miles. With a mountain for a dining table and the Cascades for company, who could ask for anything finer?

Viks Win 7, Drop 16 Games

Western's Vikings won seven contests and dropped 16 during the recent basketball season. LeRoy Nelson was again the top Vik scorer with 283 points. Ron Thompson led the squad in field goal accuracy (.406) and rebounding (152).

Among highlights of the season was a new scoring record for a home game when the Viks defeated Seattle Pacific 105-80. Another was a close 79-75 win over Whitworth.

ASB Employs New Co-op Manager

A new manager for the Co-op Bookstore and Lounge, Ray T. Knabe, has been employed by the Associated Student Body to replace Louis Earle. Mr. Earle resigned last year to accept a similar job in Claremont, California.

Mr. Knabe, a lieutenant-colonel in the U.S. Army Reserve, has had many years of experience in managing materials handling, storage and packing for the Army and Air Force, in both military and civilian capacities. He has also been manager of a commercial storage warehouse, and, earlier, a salesman of drug items. From 1937 to 1950 he had his own business selling stapling equipment.

Remaining Artists and Lectures

April 22, 10 a.m.—Dr. Ralph Lapp, nuclear physicist, on "Science and World Affairs."
April 29, 10 a.m.—Vincent Price, stage, screen, radio and TV star, in "Dear Theo."
May 5, 8:15 p.m.—UBC Players, talented young actors in "The Importance of Being Earnest."
May 6, 8:15 p.m.—Jean Erdman, noted choreographer, in a "Recital of Creative Dance."

FORWARD, ONWARD, UPWARD!

But No Words Can Describe The Thrill of the Ascent

A summit conference, more spectacular by far than anything Washington and Moscow are likely to agree upon, is being planned by Western's summer recreation committee.

The summit is, of course, Mount Baker, and the conferees, a group of student mountaineers, bent on scaling scenic as well as academic heights. Their tender feet will have been toughened, their muscles strengthened and their eyes sharpened by a series of progressively more difficult lesser climbs through the summer.

"B-Day," according to Rowland (Red) Smith, assistant football coach and director of summer recreation, will be August 1, and three days will be allotted to the trip. This summer the climbers will assault the mountain with redoubled fury, having been forced back last year by high winds and low visibility.

Pictures on this page were snapped by Ken Bale, '57, two summers ago, during one of the most successful climbs in the College's history. Chet Ullin, Bremerton, class of '37, trained his climbers carefully in the use of ice axes, roping and mountain safety before leading them to the top.

Other, less strenuous jaunts planned for summer '58 include steak fries at Lake Whatcom, salmon barbecue at Larrabee State Park, sailing among the San Juans, a visit to Old World Victoria, light operas at Vancouver's Theatre Under the Stars. The British Columbia centennial will make it a particularly good year for students who want to explore B.C.

THE HIGHER LEARNING in America is best practiced at an elevation of eight or nine thousand feet. Here Chet Ullin briefs his climbers on the art of navigating a glacier. BELOW, back in camp Miss Mildred Herrick, camp librarian and head of a crew of cooks and galley slaves, stirs a steaming pot pourri. The pot is black, but the kettle doesn't mind, and neither will the climbers; for nothing will ever seem quite so tasty, ever again.
Over the years the College has actively encouraged respect for high scholarship. In my address to new students, each fall, I have cited this as the first and most important of our traditions. But it is not enough merely to talk about it. There has been continuing concern for it. In the past 18 months there have been significant developments in policy and practice relating to scholastic standards which deserve attention in this issue of Western Reports. These include (a) the testing of students prior to entrance; (b) the admission of students, freshmen and the transfers from other colleges; (c) selective retention relating to academic achievement. A special faculty enterprise concerned with the improvement of instruction also has an important bearing on the scholarship of our students.

PRE-ENTRANCE TESTING INAUGURATED

For many years the College has administered a series of tests to students immediately following admission. These have included (a) The American Council Psychological Examination, a measure of general academic aptitude and a valuable guidance instrument, and (b) placement tests in English and mathematics.

The College has now adopted a pre-entrance testing program administered to high school seniors during the winter months in cooperation with the other four state institutions of higher education. This more comprehensive battery involves not only guidance and placement instruments but measures which show in some degree probable college success. The results will be an important aid to high school counselors and to high school seniors themselves in doing something about deficiencies in the subject-matter background as closely related to college success. The College has been doing with increasing emphasis through the literature, and in conferences with high school students. For some time unconditional admission to freshmen standing has required a minimum high school grade point average of 2.0 (C). Those with achievement below this standard are admitted provisionally; their status is subject to any restrictions, or limitations that seem appropriate. A recent change has been made in respect to the admission of transfer students. A minimum grade point average of 2.0 (C) (C) must be achieved by the end of the freshman year; (b) a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 (C) must be achieved by the end of the freshman year and maintained thereafter; (c) in courses applying toward a major or minor and in professional education courses a minimum grade of “C” must be achieved.

IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION

While it may be assumed that there is continuing and consistent attention given to improving instruction, total faculty action this year is represented by a series of seminars. These were planned by the Research and Evaluation Committee. Careful preparation of evidence and materials by panel members, lively discussion, and enthusiastic participation by a large majority of the faculty insure important forward steps in the matter of instruction.

W. W. HAGGARD
President

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