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YOUR ALUMNI PRESIDENT – Lorentzen in for Boede
Marjorie Eggleston Is Honored
At Annual Alumni Day Banquet

A perseverance in the highest tradition of the teaching profession earned a Bellingham school teacher the Distinguished Alumnus Award at Western Washington State College Alumni Day activities May 25 on the Western campus.

The honor this year went to Mrs. Marjorie Compton Eggleston, who teaches social studies at Sehome High School in Bellingham.

Mrs. Eggleston was working as a building maintenance woman at Bellingham High School and at the age of 38 decided she could do as well or better as many of the teachers she had observed, so she entered Western to prove it.

She was graduated in 1958 with a bachelor of arts degree and a provisional teaching certificate and after a year of teaching went back to her studies and was awarded her master's degree in 1960. Although primarily a biology teacher, she is considered by her superiors as one of the most versatile teachers in the Bellingham School System and presently teaches social studies at Sehome.

An additional award presented this year for the first time was the Distinguished Service Award to Miss Arta Frances Lawrence, who was graduated from Bellingham State Normal School in 1910. Miss Lawrence was honored for her service to the teaching profession during her 43 years as a teacher, as well as service to the college and the community since her retirement. The awards are presented jointly by the Alumni Association and the College.

The presentations were made at the banquet program in the evening at Viking Commons following a reception honoring President and Mrs. Charles J. Flora, members and newly elected officers of the Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Hans Lorentzen took over as new Alumni Association president from outgoing chief Fred Boede. Dr. August Zoet, Bellingham physician, is the president-elect for next year. Other officers are Mrs. Joyce Gillie of Lacey, secretary, and Frank (Moose) Zurline of Bellingham, treasurer.

Lorentzen is a Bellingham insurance man who also holds a charter skipper's license. He puts the latter talent to work during the summers at Westport.

Toastmaster of the banquet was Dean Bill McDonald. W.O.E. (Bill) Radcliffe gave the welcome. President Flora gave the principal address.

The roll call of classes was given by Ella Wilken Schuster, 1918; William T. Hatch, 1943; and Donald Nesheim, 1958.

New Board Members Added

New members of the Western Washington State College Alumni Association board of directors chosen at the recent Alumni Day meeting are as follows:

Norman Bright, Dr. Grover F. Brown, Bert L. Cole, Dennis Freeburn, Helen Haller, Phyllis Albrecht Hardie, Rachel Royston Knutson, Mary Ann Nichols, Roger Sandberg and George V. Secor.

They join holdover members Ed Bailey, Bill Dolby, Joyce Gillie, David Grocott, Bernice Hall, Doris Johnson, Larry O'Donnell, W.O.E. (Bill) Radcliffe, George Rudes, Gordon Smith, Cecil Thomas, Dr. August Zoet and Frank Zurline.

Fred Boede is past president, ex-officio; George Earl and George Parkko are corresponding members; Judy Cederblom is alumni office coordinator; and Louis Lallas is chairman of the Faculty-Alumni Committee.
Bond Hall Computer Center Is Dedicated at Campus Ceremony

At a campus ceremony May 18, Rep. Lloyd Meeds dedicated the new Bond Hall science-mathematics-computer center at Western Washington State College, a $2.5 million structure bordering the new campus academic quadrangle.

The building was named by the board of trustees in memory of Dr. Elias Austin Bond, a teacher for 40 years at Western (1907-1947), who was nationally recognized in the field of mathematics.

The building contains office and classroom space for physics and mathematics departments, teaching and research laboratories, shop space and a computer center. The latter facility is designed around an IBM computer valued at approximately $1 million. The building's facilities will be available not only for college faculty research and classroom instruction but for use by mathematicians and physicists attending summer institutes as well. It will, therefore, be instrumental in increasing proficiency of present and future mathematics and physics teachers in Washington State high schools and institutions of higher education.

Meeds praised the new center and said that it is consistent with the rapid growth pattern of Western that such a facility should be constructed. And attesting to the growth Western is experiencing was a recent announcement by Dr. Charles J. Flora, WWSC president, revealing the completion of a campus plan that will enable the college to grow in an orderly manner to accommodate as many as 15,000 students in the next 20 years.

"Western is prepared to meet whatever obligation the state may impose in terms of increased enrollment," Dr. Flora said. "We have a plan that is flexible enough to permit us to adapt to unexpected changes in growth rate.

Key to the growth plan is an outline for development of a space known as the Academic Reserve Area, a 12-acre plot southeast of the campus, currently occupied by parking lots and athletic fields. All future classrooms, laboratories, faculty offices, research space and other academic and administrative facilities will be constructed in this area, with each new structure bringing about corresponding development in residence halls and other installations. Provision for additional athletic fields has been made to the south of existing facilities. The ARA plan was developed by architect George Bartholick of Bellingham, campus planning consultant.

From 4,000 to 5,000 students an hour will cross Western's public square when all the buildings surrounding are completed. The entire quad area is paved with brick laid in a herring-bone pattern with the circular Charles H. Fisher Memorial Fountain off-center. The fountain, named for a former president of Western, was contributed by his family and friends.

The quadrangle will become the geographic center of the college as well as its functional center. The quad is bounded by Haggard Hall of Science, the Science-Math-Computer Center, the Humanities Building and the future Education-Psychology Building, which will be combined with the old Campus Training School building now being used for college classes.

A coffee shop in the European style is to be located in the Education-Psychology Building and plans for the area may include tables arranged on the edge of the quad and in an enclosed courtyard of the new building.

Scholarship Report

The addition of talent areas in art, drama, music and athletics to the WWSC scholarship policy represents a step in attracting a broader scope of interests to the college student body.

In the past, scholarships have been awarded entirely on the basis of academic ability and need. These areas will continue to receive at least half of the total scholarship money available each year.

But scholarship must come from private sources. By next fall, the college plans to triple the 120 scholarships it awarded this year. For each student who receives a scholarship, 13 others are turned down because the funds are so limited.

The alumni is being looked upon for aid in this important area of assistance. Information on the WWSC scholarship program may be obtained by writing the Development and Public Information Office at the college.

In a move emphasizing the need for greater and wider academic opportunity for educationally disadvantaged people, the Western Fund for Academic Opportunity has been established by a group of Western professors. It is designed to aid largely non-white ethnic groups and has each member pledging one per cent of his salary for the coming school year to the cause.
Brown Appointed New Academic Dean

The appointment of Dr. Robert D. Brown as academic dean of Western Washington State College was announced recently by the college board of trustees. Dr. Brown moved to Bellingham in 1965 as chairman of the English department at WWSC. In January, 1967, he was named associate academic dean and the following July was named interim academic dean, the position he has held until his recent appointment.

Born in Whiting, Ind., in 1924, Dr. Brown attended Magdalen College, Oxford University. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and a graduate of Indiana University. He received his bachelor of arts degree in 1949, the master of arts in 1950 and the Ph.D. in 1952 from the latter institution. English, philosophy and comparative literature, with specialization in Anglo-French literary relations were his major fields of study. He joined the English department faculty at Oregon State University in 1952, attaining the rank of associate professor. While at OSU, he was a member of the executive committee of the honors program and a member of the faculty senate.

Computer Center Receives Grant

A grant in the amount of $225,000 from the National Science Foundation to support the new Bond Hall computer center at Western Washington State College in Bellingham has been announced by Rep. Lloyd Meeds.

“The grant, to go into effect July 1 of this year, will provide funds to help operate the new center for approximately two years,” Meeds said. The announcement was made in Meeds' address dedicating the new Science-Mathematics-Computer Center at WWSC.

The NSF funds will be used for purchase of equipment necessary to achieve modern computing capability for expanding programs at Western. Without the equipment, faculty members doing research would have to use computer facilities at other colleges and universities or forego use of computer service.

Miss Casanova to Retire After 36 Years at Western

Miss Katherine Casanova, a member of the education department faculty at Western Washington State College for the past 36 years, was honored at a tea May 28 in the Viking Union Lounge. Miss Casanova has announced her decision to retire at the end of summer quarter.

For most of her years of service, she taught first grade and supervised student teachers at Western's Campus School. She was the first grade teacher of several people who have since become members of the WWSC faculty and the Bellingham business community.

In more recent years, a second generation of first graders in the area have begun their school careers in her classroom. A large number of the elementary school teachers in the western portion of Washington State have received the benefit of her guidance.

Born in Ferndale, Calif., Miss Casanova attended San Jose State College and received her bachelor of science and master’s degrees in education from Columbia University. While at Columbia, she taught at Lincoln School, an experimental elementary school, and specialized in early childhood and teacher education.

She began her career at Western in 1932, teaching first grade in the Campus School, which at that time was housed in Old Main. In 1942, the school moved into new quarters (now being transformed into the new Education-Psychology Building), which Miss Casanova and other members of the school faculty and staff helped plan.

During her retirement, she plans to travel and to seek an area of endeavor in which her years of experience can be of service to the community.

Commencement Exercises Held

Western Washington State College awarded 550 bachelor's degrees during commencement exercises June 7, and an additional 250 bachelor's degrees will be given in August, according to the Registrar's Office.

There were 625 of the total group participating in the June commencement service. Altogether, the college will have awarded 1,100 bachelor's degrees in 1968.

Fifty persons received master's degrees at the June ceremony. They were part of a total of 135 persons awarded master's degrees during 1968. There were 11 Magna Cum Laude, 13 Cum Laude, 3 Cum Laude and Honors Program, and 4 Honors Program recipients. Nine persons received two degrees.
'23 Edna Hall Neely (B.A. ’53) is a special education teacher of the handicapped at Snoqualmie Valley School in North Bend.

'42 Miss Maxine Ebert is currently Elementary Curriculum Coordinator for the Marysville Public Schools.

'53 Raymond W. Moffitt will be working toward a master's degree in educational communications (audio-visual) through an NDEA grant for the ’68-'69 academic year at the University of Hawaii. This grant is known as an Experienced Teacher’s Fellowship.

'59 Dr. Baldwin Hergenhahn, assistant professor of psychology of Hamline University in St. Paul, Minn., has been named winner of the college’s annual Merrill C. Burgess “Excellence in Teaching” award. The selection was made by students, and the award is a cash prize designated for books in subject matter outside the teacher’s field. Dr. Hergenhahn received his M.A. from the University of Wisconsin and the Ph.D. from the University of Arizona after graduating from Western.

'62 Captain Stephen R. Buss, staff weapons director, is now on duty with an Air Force Advisory Group at Seoul, Korea.

'64 Robert E. Hall is teaching earth science in the Bellevue Public Schools . . . Gregory B. Cox is teaching high school in Arcata, Calif.

'66 Milton J. and Sheila (Fox) Bauman (’67) are Peace Corps volunteers in Fahefa, Kingdom of Tonga, located in the Southwest Pacific.

'67 Doug Marsh is working for Boeing in Seattle as a junior design engineer . . . Marilee Dickerson is teaching French in the Bellevue Elementary Schools . . . Mike Aemmer is in Korea with the Peace Corps, teaching high school English . . . Jane C. Sigmund graduated recently from a VISTA training program at the Jane Addams Training Center in Chicago. She will spend a year working in Barberton, Ohio, with the Barberton Neighborhood Opportunity Center . . . Robert A. Chervenock has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Air Force upon graduation from OTS at Lackland AFB, Texas. He is being assigned to Chanute AFB, Ill., for training as an aircraft maintenance officer.

'68 Charles W. Hall has assumed a management training position with the Calgary Division of Standard-General Construction International, Ltd., of Calgary and Vancouver, and is currently working on a project that includes a 5-acre man-made lake with golf courses and a housing development. The company’s operations vary from hydro-power dams to airports and housing developments.

Chet Ullin ’37 (1701 North Wycoff, Bremerton 98310) and Phyllis (Albrecht) Hardie ’53 (520 Washington St., Mount Vernon 98273) are organizing a climb of Mt. Baker this summer. Persons interested in making the climb should contact them at the above addresses . . . Daniel R. Gerhard is studying at Garrett Theological Seminary on the Northwestern University campus in Evanston, Ill., for the Methodist ministry . . . Paul Bondo is a tool designer at United Air Lines in San Francisco; and his wife, Cheryl (Cox) Bondo, is teaching 2nd grade in San Carlos, Calif. . . . Tom Myers will be on an NDEA grant for the 1968-69 academic year studying guidance and counseling at Northern Illinois University . . . Miss Terry Shannon, author of children’s books who was profiled in last month’s *Resume*, attended Western under the name of Jessie Bruce Mercer and Jessie Mercer Knechtel . . . Mrs. Melanie Draper will be returning to Washington this year after 12 years of teaching in the Kodiak Island Borough School District in Alaska . . . Clarence E. Ragan has been appointed manager of the Ford Motor Company’s U.S. Tractor and Implement Operations’ Western District Office in Oakland, Calif. The district coordinates sales activities of nearly 100 Ford tractor dealerships in California, Oregon, Hawaii, Washington, most of Nevada, and parts of Arizona and Idaho . . . C. W. Grizzard (Janet) is teaching at Pirmasens Army Base in New York . . . Mrs. Roberta L. Fender, husband and daughter are going to Germany where Mr. Fender will be with UNIVAC . . . Western graduate Ed Barcott, a math and reading instructor at Fort Worden Treatment Center, has been named Teacher of the Year by the Port Townsend Education Association . . . Bert Johnson, a WWSC grad, will teach at Monroe next year following a nine-year stint at Darrington . . . Mrs. Marilyn Jensen has also been signed to teach at Monroe . . . Robert Neisinger is a member of the Grays Harbor Junior College music faculty.

Alumni meetings held recently by T. G. McQuary, development and public information director, were at Spokane, Ephrata, Edmonds, Tacoma, Vancouver, B.C., and Bremerton.

McQuary reported much interest at the sessions and also pointed out that the new alumni newsletter you’re now reading has received a tremendous response.
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Does the Alumni Association have your current address? If not, please complete the form below and return it to the Alumni Office, Western Washington State College, Bellingham, Washington 98225. The Alumni Association and the College are developing many new and exciting programs for alumni and we are certain you will want to continue hearing about them.

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