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**SUMMER INSTITUTES**

Thirteen institutes are in session on the Western campus during the summer session. The institutes are designed to provide in depth study of some areas of learning not usually available in a college or university curriculum.

Among the institutes is a program in French language education, held under the auspices of the Educational Professions Development Act. It is designed to improve the language skills of 48 French teachers from throughout the United States. The WWSC program is the only institute in French to be held on the West Coast this year.

Participants will be presented with new teaching techniques and will study contemporary French culture and civilization. In addition to attending classes, the group will visit Vancouver, B. C., to view the new Alliance Francaise Center and a French-language radio station. The institute is under the direction of Dr. Herbert L. Baird, Jr., associate professor of foreign languages at Western.

Another institute involves 25 teachers from throughout the United States who teach mathematics and computer science in two-year colleges. Intended to enhance the quality of mathematics instruction in community colleges, the program includes graduate-level study in analysis, modern algebra and computer programming. The institute is headed by Dr. Paul Rygg, professor of mathematics at WWSC.

Dr. Thomas Napiecki of Western’s speech department is conducting another EDPA program in theater arts. Staffed in part by four members of the Seattle Repertory Theater, the institute emphasizes the theater for secondary schools, play analysis and theater production planning, and the Scandinavian theater.

The number of summer institutes is a reflection of Western’s growth in the academic world. As the strength of Western’s faculty and programs increases, more funds have become available and more scholars have been attracted to the Bellingham campus.

**TOMARAS HEADS EVCO**

Dr. William Tomaras, director of athletics at Western, has been named president of the Evergreen Conference. The action took place in Bellingham at a meeting of league representatives.

Dr. Carl Schuler, associate professor of history at Western and the school’s faculty athletic representative, was chosen to serve as conference secretary.

The conference voted to accept the application of Southern Oregon College at Ashland as an Evco member and work that school into league scheduling in the fall of 1970.

Southern Oregon’s first conference appearance at Bellingham will be October 3, 1970, according to Tomaras. The addition of the Oregon school brings the conference membership to five, including Western, Central, Eastern and Whitworth.

Western was assigned the conference wrestling tournament, which is slated for Carver Gym next February 21. Whitworth will be the host for next spring’s sport championships.

**NEW DEAN OF WOMEN**

Mary R. Robinson, dean of women at American University in Beirut, Lebanon, since 1960, has been named dean of women at Western. Her appointment, announced by the college board of trustees, will be effective October 1, 1969.

Miss Robinson replaces Lorraine Powers, dean of women at Western since 1941, who has decided to retire.

Miss Robinson received her bachelor of arts degree from Duke University and the master of arts from Teachers College, Columbia University. At Duke, she served three years as house counselor and advisor for student activities.

She has also served three years as assistant dean of women at Oregon State University and one year as dean of women at Eastern Washington State College.
CLASS REUNIONS

The classes of '20, '45 and '60 will hold reunions during the spring of 1970. The Alumni Office does most of the “leg work” for these events, but it likes to have the advice of class members in planning. Persons interested in working on a reunion for their class should contact the Alumni Office at Western soon.

The class of '64 is engaged in planning a fifth year reunion to be held sometime in the fall. Details on this gathering will be coming to class members by mail.

NEW ASSISTANT HIRED

Ronald L. Petersen will assume the position of assistant director of admissions at Western in August, college officials have announced.

Mr. Petersen, a WWSC graduate, comes back to his alma mater from Shoreline Community College, where he has been a counselor. At Western he will assist Gene Omey, director of admissions, and Bill McDonald, who will become interim dean of students in September.

Mr. Petersen participated in the NDEA Counseling and Guidance Institute at the University of Toledo in 1966-67. During that time he received his masters in education.

He and his wife Bonnie have two children.

HELLER NAMED

Ray Heller has been named Director of Public Information and Development at Western by the board of trustees. He has been interim director of the department since last July.

Heller came to Western early in 1967 after some eight years as a press relations representative for Bethlehem Steel Corporation in their Seattle, San Francisco and Baltimore offices.

Born in Oak Harbor in 1932, Heller attended WWSC and the University of Washington where he received a bachelor of arts degree in journalism in 1959.

He resides in Bellingham with his wife, Barbara, and their twin daughters, Kristen and Gretchen, aged 2.

DR. LINDBLOOM RETURNS

Dr. Melvin Lindbloom, president of Green River Community College, was a guest faculty member at Western during the summer. He was an instructor in a class entitled Education 443: The Community College.

Born in Mount Vernon, Dr. Lindbloom was graduated from Sedro Woolley High School in 1944. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees in education from Western and earned the Ph.D. in education at Washington State University.

During his two weeks at Western, Dr. Lindbloom discussed preparation of college faculty, innovations in community college education and recent developments in Washington’s two-year college system.

ROLL CALL

'38, '39, '40 The following women from the classes of '38, '39 and '40 met at the home of Mrs. Jim O'Connell on Pine Lake, Issaquah, for a potluck reunion on June 18: Mrs. Jim O'Connell (Virginia Weston), Mrs. Thor Copstead (Leota Hunter), Mrs. J. W. Heft (Polly Phelps), Mrs. John Valenta (Dorothy Bundt), Mrs. Wilton Poolman (Marie Krause), Mrs. Lou Carroll (Ruth Shuman), Mrs. Mike Sylstra (Betty Howell), Mrs. Saxauer (Mildred Richardson), Mrs. Roger Dudley (Pauline Barnes) and Mrs. Benton Helm (Eileen Johnson).

'50 Neil Johnston is living in Tenino and is employed by the State Department of Public Assistance as a research analyst in the Olympia office.

'53 Ray Moffitt is completing work toward his M.Ed. in Educational Communications (A-V) at the University of Hawaii.

'54 Duayne Trecker has been appointed press secretary for Senator Warren G. Magnuson in Washington, D.C.

'56 Mrs. Ethel B. Sherwood has completed three years of teaching high school English in Hawaii. She now plans to return to her home at Spencer Lake near Shelton, Wash.
'57 Albert J. Zabel is now the Minister of Music in Park Congregational Church, Elmira, New York. During the past few months, he has had three compositions for organ and choir published.

'58 Bruce Fuller is now a pilot for Pan American Airlines ... Stanley M. Torseth received the M.S.T. degree from Rutgers, The State University (of New Jersey) on June 4, 1969.

'60 Leroy D. Maxwell is now Superintendent of Schools for Highland School District in Yakima, Wash.

'62 Rev. David Kalles and his wife Mrs. Alice I Kalles ('60) are residing at Haines Junction, Yukon Territory. He is an Anglican priest, and she is substitute teaching.

'63 Richard Reim received a master's degree in education from Eastern Washington State College and is teaching fourth grade in Stanwood, Wash.

'64 Mrs. Karen Jean Neff (Atkins) will be teaching third grade in Ferndale next year ... Mrs. Marcia (Dowling) Dokken is teaching second grade in San Jose, Calif. ... Mrs. Sandy (Weygant) Coulson is a substitute teacher in Longview. She has a daughter, Shana, three years old.

'65 Walter E. Springer is working in the Republic of Vietnam Armed Forces language school as a deputy senior adviser to their operations ... Andrew D. Munro of Seattle was awarded a Master of Arts degree in mathematics from Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine.

'66 Mr. and Mrs. Joel E. Walters (Coralie Anderson, '67) are living in Bothell, where she has taught two years at Crystal Springs Elementary School. He has taught for three years at Hamilton Junior High School in Seattle ... Lt. JG and Mrs. Dennis Sandvig (Carol Ennen) are in Hawaii following his graduation from Corpus Christi, Tex., flight school ... Nancy Fagan taught German in Bellevue this past year. She will be studying in Germany during the summer and teaching in Austria next year under the Fulbright Exchange Program ... Mr. and Mrs. James F. Sewell (Marjeanne Judd) live in LaCrosse, Wash., where he is director of music for School District No. 260, and she is teaching in Endicott and LaCrosse. They were married last August 24 ... Mrs. Martha Sirguy will teach second grade at Deming School in the Mount Baker District next fall ... Bruce Eichelsdoerfer, a commercial artist with World Press in the Grays Harbor area, has an exhibit at the Hoquiam Library of a series of paintings ranging in style from pop art to impressionism that convey his memories of a tour of duty in Vietnam ... Bruce Eichelsdoerfer, a Vietnam veteran, is now an artist and salesman at The World Press ... Bernard A. Pulver has become the first director of parks and recreation in Othello, Wash. ... Mrs. Glenda (Cox) Bockemuehl completed an M.Ed. program as a reading specialist and will be involved in a pilot study in the Palo Alto method of teaching reading. She has taught first grade in the Medical Lake School District for the past three years ... Michael G. Haley is working for Olympic Mortgage Corporation, Seattle.

'67 Robert J. Dickinson has been awarded U.S. Air Force silver pilot wings upon graduation at Laredo AFB, Texas ... Mrs. Michael Haley will be teaching this fall at Meadowdale High School in the Edmonds School District ... Lt. Guy W. Hager is presently attached to the Naval Bureau of Personnel in Washington, D.C., after returning from a year tour of duty in the Mekong Delta, Vietnam.

'68 Russell L. and Carol Music, who were married May 10, are living in Olympia where he is now attending St. Martin's College. She teaches an elementary special education class at Roosevelt School and will return to WWSC this summer on a grant in special education ... Larry Nelson will act as coordinator of student activities at Centralia College, Centralia. He will work in management of student loans, scholarships, work-study programs, student housing, student government, social activities and lecture programs ... Ensign and Mrs. Darrell Mintz (Kitty Collins, '69) are in Portsmouth, N.H. He is serving as a damage control assistant aboard the USS Aeolus, a cable-laying vessel which operates in the wide area from Greenland to Guam. She is trying to locate a teaching position ... Airman Wayne S. Leahy is a volunteer in a 16-week simulated space exercise test being conducted at Brooks AFB, Tex. The primary objective of the study is to test a newly developed "total body exerciser" which applies a force similar to the effect of gravity on astronauts in space, in determining if the method will prevent the metabolic and cardiovascular consequence of weightlessness ... The former H. Joy Chase is now Mrs. Robert Lawrence, as of July 19, 1969. He is a '69 graduate of WWSC ... Stan Pilkey is a Washington State Parole Officer in Renton. He was married June 9, 1968, to the former Marilee K. Dickerson, a 1967 graduate of WWSC ... Mr. and Mrs.
Jim Whipps are in charge of the summer youth program at Sequim Bible Church. He will return this fall to Dallas Theological Seminary.

'69 Mrs. Mary Swartos will teach fourth grade at Allen School in the Burlington School District next fall . . . John L. Miller has been employed as a teacher of speech correction in the Sedro Woolley School District . . . Robert Duke will teach secondary-level social studies in the Aberdeen School District next fall . . . Mrs. Jeanne McBeath, who will graduate in August, has been hired by the Mount Baker School District . . . Bonnie Kay Hamma will teach PE and social studies next fall at Washington Junior High School in the Olympia School District . . . Denton L. Bailey will also be in Olympia teaching third grade at Pioneer Elementary School . . . Miss Corda Frank will be teaching physical education at Granger High School this fall. She has had experience in girls’ track and is looking forward to taking over the girls’ track team . . . Lloyd Orluske will be a sixth grade teacher at North Bellingham School this fall.

Unclassified

Homer D. Waters has received a Doctor of Education degree in guidance and counseling from Northern Illinois University . . . Lloyd M. Richardson has received a Doctor of Education degree in supervision and curriculum from Northern Illinois University . . . Thomas F. Myers has received a Doctor of Education degree in guidance and counseling from Northern Illinois University . . . John C. Polhemus, Jr., has been awarded a bachelor of foreign trade degree by the Thunderbird Graduate School of International Management, Phoenix, Arizona . . . Curtis Inman will be teaching the intermediate grades in the Kelso District . . . Patrick Hayden will be Mount Vernon School District’s new curriculum director. He has been vice principal for Mount Vernon High School for several years . . . Mrs. Janis Otts will be a second grade teacher in the Sequim schools beginning next fall. She has been a substitute teacher in Sequim this past year . . . Dan A. White has been appointed district representative for the United States Military Academy in Washington’s Second Congressional District. He is currently a community college vocation-placement counselor . . . Gary Ruel has been elected to a five-year term as Area I director of the Office of Certification and Accreditation for the Washington Education Association . . . Kenneth Eiene has been appointed Whatcom County sales representative for Investors Diversified Services, Inc . . . Donald J. Bagley received the M.A. degree in educational administration, elementary, from Colorado State College . . . Gerald M. Parker was awarded the degree Doctor of Osteopathy by the Kirksville (Missouri) College of Osteopathy . . . Miss Gladys Erickson, a missionary teacher, is home on leave from Nigeria, Africa. She will attend summer school at WWSC . . . Mr. and Mrs. Neal Hogan (Carla Haines) plan to enter the School for Officers Training in San Francisco to train for officer positions in the Salvation Army.

IN MEMORIAM

'07 Walter Nichols died April 27, 1969, at the Convalescent Center in Friday Harbor.

'16 Edward Gannon died June 12, 1969. He was a former student at Bellingham Normal.

'21 Miss Lucille M. Parsons died May 21, 1969.

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