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Alumni Association, WWSC
Evans talks to faculty

Despite the foulest weather yet this winter, Lecture Hall 4 was three-quarters full on December 8 when Governor Daniel J. Evans addressed the WWSC faculty.

The governor discussed recent population trends and how they affect priorities in state government and education. The postwar “baby boom” generation is coming of age, he said, and the school-age population is down from its peak several years ago. As a result, some of the enrollment pressure is off the school system.

The smaller classes now showing up in lower grades will soon be arriving at the colleges, said the governor. The leveling off of enrollment growth may make some changes in higher education necessary, he added.

“The real challenge of the ’70’s is finding meaningful work for those now entering the labor force,” Governor Evans said.

Turning to the economy, the governor said the downward trend is apparently ending. State revenues for the first few months of this biennium are slightly higher than anticipated.

Since Washington generates most of its revenue from the sales and business and occupation taxes (which reflect retail sales) and November and December are the peak retail sales months, Governor Evans said there is a possibility of a little extra money showing up in the coffers at the beginning of next year.

If this happens, the money would be used to provide relief in areas that were cut back to balance the state budget. Governor Evans says he supports salary increases for state employees—including state college faculty—as a high priority item.
Western participating in teacher training programs

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Much has been said recently about getting teacher trainees out into the schools for a greater portion of their professional preparation. The new state certification guidelines call for field-centered programs and for participation by the public school and the professional associations on equal terms with the colleges in consortia for the development and operation of teacher training programs. Many Western alumni will undoubtedly be involved in one or more of these programs.

Anticipating the implementation of the new guidelines and in response to your evaluations of the professional training you have had, Western is expanding its field-centered programs as rapidly as arrangements and budgeting will permit. This school year will see more than 200 of our teacher education students out in the public school for at least two quarters instead of the one quarter of student teaching which has been the practice since the dropping of two student teaching experiences about ten years ago.

Western has established off campus centers in Southeast Seattle, Everett and Auburn for such programs and is negotiating for additional centers in 1972-73.

After two years of pilot studies, the Southeast Seattle program is now a regular alternative to campus-based professional study. The student undertakes a highly individualized laboratory quarter in which he studies learning principles and teaching strategies while actually working with teachers and school pupils. As he develops competencies, he moves into a second quarter of greater responsibility in the classroom. After the preliminary laboratory quarter, the student in the practicum so far is proving to be much better prepared to assume these responsibilities than the traditional student teacher.

The Everett program is similar to that in Southeast Seattle, except that it operates in the Garfield Elementary School which Western is operating this year by arrangement with the Everett School District. It consists of on-site clinical professors, graduate teachers working on their master's degrees, student teachers and laboratory students work with groups of elementary pupils in a highly individualized approach to education. The training in Everett is preceded by a quarter in which the trainee, working with the instructional teams and with children, concentrates on the language arts and reading components of the professional program. Hence, these trainees put in a full year in the public school in an alternate professional sequence.

The College has three other field-based programs in operation. In Auburn twelve arts and sciences graduates are preparing for elementary teaching in a year-long program which follows a summer quarter on campus.

A Teacher Corps program is now in its second year of a two-year sequence for degree holders who are combining professional certification training in four school districts—Mount Baker, Arlington, Anacortes, and La Conner—with work for their master's degree.

Dr. Vern Tyler of the Department of Psychology is directing a Teacher Researcher Project at Whatcom Middle School in Bellingham. This program gets the teacher trainees out into the school all year on a part time basis combined with on-campus college classes. Principles of learning and teaching strategies are being studied through classroom experience.

Western has thus found an answer to the request for earlier and more extensive public school contact for prospective teachers. Thus far, the programs are bringing forth resounding enthusiasm on the part of the trainees, and are being met with a high degree of cooperation by the participating school teachers and administrators. It has been possible to move ahead on these training programs by adapting the professional sequences for the Provisional Certificate to the field-centered approach. We believe these programs will provide a good base for teacher training under the new guidelines. We look forward to working together with many of our alumni and other teachers and administrators as the school, the profession and the College work together in the consortia arrangements for teacher education in the future.

NEW AT WESTERN—George Shoemaker (above) was hired December 13 by the Board of Trustees as executive director of the WWSC Foundation. He will be responsible for the annual fund drive and is planning to initiate a deferred giving program at Western. Shoemaker, 28, is a native of South Carolina. He and his wife, Betsy, are scheduled to take up residence in Bellingham soon. They have been living in Seattle.

NEW PIO WRITER—Karen (Andersen) Place, a 1967 graduate of Western, has been hired as a writer for the Public Information Office. Mrs. Place comes to Western from a position on the University of Oregon alumni magazine. Her husband, Tim, also a graduate of Western, is working on his doctorate thesis.

In Memoriam

'12 JOHN A. ARNOLD, April 13, 1971, in California.
'15 ORVILLE D. ADAMS, October 1971, in California.
'16 MYRA, THOMPSON FROMBLEY, October 1971, in Bellingham.
'20 ALLENE CADMAN, in Dayton.
'22 G. MASON HALL, June 14, in Edmonds.
CLARE CROCKETT ROACH, October 1971, in Bellingham.
'24 ELIZABETH NEWMAN CLAWSON, in Yakima.
'25 ORVILLE CADMAN, in Oregon.
We know all about Henry VIII and his six wives, but we have not even heard of the Taiping Rebellion," according to Dr. Henry Schwarz, professor of political science and history at Western. Dr. Schwarz cites this as an example of the "cultural parochialism" of American education that leads to neglect of Asian culture and history.

"Here in the Pacific Northwest," says Schwarz, "we still speak of our nearest transoceanic neighbors as the Far East, and we blindly accept the monumental arrogance inherent in courses on 'humanities' and television programs on 'civilization' that deal only with far-away Europe."

Dr. Schwarz has recently been appointed director of the Program in East Asian Studies at Western.

Established in September, 1970, the WWSC program is the only one in the state to emphasize undergraduate specialization in East Asian studies. This complements efforts by the University of Washington which are largely geared to graduate students. It is an interdisciplinary program, including courses in history, political science, art, sociology, literature and Chinese and Japanese languages.

Students' interest in East Asian studies is apparently high. About 500 students enrolled last year, the first year of the program.

Dr. Schwarz attributes this interest to the prominence of Asian countries in current international affairs. He mentioned Communist China's admission to the United Nations, the economic relationships between the U.S. and Japan and the impending return of Okinawa to Japan as events spurring interest in that part of the world.

The East Asian studies program has sponsored several public affairs discussions. A recent panel discussion entitled "China and the U.N." drew about 120 townspeople from Bellingham, indicating interest among the general public as well as among students.

In addition, the East Asian studies program published "Occasional Papers," a series of scholarly papers by specialists in this country and abroad, with Schwarz as editor. Two issues have appeared to date and a third is scheduled for publication soon.

Dr. Schwarz joined the WWSC faculty in 1969, following four years with the University of Washington's Far Eastern Institute. He spent one year as a Fulbright professor at the University of the Philippines, and has traveled extensively in other Asian countries. He is listed in the 1971 edition of "Outstanding Educators of America," an annual awards program honoring exceptional achievements in the field of education.

The Western professor is the author of three books on China as well as a number of articles on Asian affairs. His latest book, Chinese Policies Toward Minorities: An Essay and Documents, was published in 1971. His earlier books are Leadership Patterns in China's Frontier Regions (1964) and China: Three Facets of a Giant (1966).

MUNRO NAMED SPECIAL ASSISTANT—Ralph Munro, pictured here with Governor Evans, has been named a special assistant in the governor's office. Munro, 28, returned to the state after a six-month leave of absence from his post as the state's volunteer services coordinator to assist the Nixon Administration in developing local volunteer programs. Salary for the new position is $16,500. Munro holds a B.A. degree in education from Western, where he was Associated Students president.
'66 STEVE KINK is coordinator of the UNISERV office in Longview. The office serves as a communications center to inform local teachers about Washington and National Education Association activities ... J. BLAINE WILSON is teaching junior high and industrial arts in Port Orchard ... GARY DUNN is teaching physical education and coaching junior varsity basketball, as well as teaching boys' cooking and coaching varsity baseball, at a junior high in Bellevue.

'67 GARY ERICKSON is living in Spokane where he recently formed Erickson & Associates, a management consulting firm specializing in controllership services for small and intermediate businesses ... LYNN JOHNSON DICKSON received her master of arts degree in 1969 and was nationally certified in speech pathology this year ... JACK C. STANSFIELD is teaching junior high school German and Spanish at Port Orchard ... Capt. and Mrs. GARY ARENDSEN (CHERIE SIMKINS, '66) are living in North Carolina where he is stationed at Marine Corps Camp Lejeune and she is a reading specialist for the Jacksonville School District.

'68 JACKIE L. MILLMAN took the former LINDA M. JACOBSEN as his bride recently. They are living in Bellingham ... WILLIAM McCANN was graduated from the University of Washington Law School and is employed in the office of James Carty in Woodland ... JAMES ENDICOTT is teaching English in a tribal school in Shiraz, Iran, as a member of the Peace Corps ... WILLIAM EICKMEYER is currently the director of Kitsap Youth Homes ... GERALD HALLBERG is a history instructor at North Country Community College in Saranac Lake, N.Y., and was recently selected director of extension at that college's Elizabethtown campus ... MARY HANSON DESBROW is teaching first grade in Pomeroy.

'69 GARY BOONE is teaching junior high school math and social studies in the South Kitsap School District ... JANICE DAHL recently became Mrs. Frank Myers. They are living in North Bend where she is employed by the King County Department of Parks and Recreation as director of Si View Park in North Bend ... 1st Lt. GERALD COUCHMAN is living in Alberbury, England, where he is flying the F-4 Phantom Jet as aircraft commander ... LINDA JACOBSEN is teaching fifth grade in Edmonds ... DORN SLOSSON is teaching pre-school children in Ferndale.

'70 STEVEN ARQUIST is stationed with the army as a radio operator at a NATO base in West Germany ... TONI and NOEL BARLOW are living in Chehalis where he is teaching math and coaching at a junior high and she is a speech therapist for Lewis County ... Mr. and Mrs. LARRY HUGHES are living in Pensacola where he is a 2nd Lt. in the Marines and she is substitute teaching ... DOUGLAS POTTRATZ has been appointed as a chemist for the Spokane County Air Pollution Control Authority ... TIM O'GRADY and GAIL BUCCHI ('71) were married in December and are living in Tacoma where he is employed by the State of Washington as an employment representative and she is substitute teaching ... MARVIN FROST is teaching physical education and health at the elementary and junior high school level in Kodiak ... KATHERINE CONLEY and PATRICK BALL were married recently. They are living in Bellingham ... TERRY JACOBSEN is working at Ford Motor Parts in Los Angeles ... SAM HIGGINS is an industrial arts teacher at Whatcom Middle School in Bellingham ... ALICE DAVISON and Paul Jorgensen were married October 16 ... LYNDA BROWN is teaching fourth grade at the American School of Vientiane, Laos ... Airman STEPHEN C. ALLEN has completed basic training at Lackland AFB and has been assigned to Sheppard AFB for training as a medical helper ... GARY ASPLUND is employed as a moulding technician for Boise-Cascade in Woodland, Calif. ... Mr. and Mrs. DAVID RUDELL (KATHY MILLER) are living in Los Angeles where he is employed with SAGA Food Services ... PHILLIP HARTVIGSON is living in Bellevue and is employed as an accountant for the Department of Highways ... KENNETH ERICKSEN took the former LINDA HUTTENMAIER as his bride in Bellevue. They are teaching in Aberdeen ... Mr. and Mrs. STEVEN WILSON (PERAVENTA JACKSON, '66) are living in Albuquerque where he is working toward his master of fine arts degree at the University of New Mexico and she is teaching primary school ... Airman ROLAND WILSON has graduated from the Air Force instrument systems equipment specialist course at Chanute AFB, Ill. He has been assigned to McChord AFB ... SALLY MARTIN NOLEN is teaching under the Headstart program in Raleigh, N.C. ... LA GRETA NIELSEN SPADY is employed by the General Service Administration in Auburn ... KIRSTEN PETIJOSEN KROMANN is teaching junior high school in Woodinville ... PAMELA FRIERMood is teaching special education for the Omaha School District ... RICHARD HARDER is teaching sixth grade in Woodinville ... LINDA M. JACOBSEN as his bride. They are living in Australia ... MARY ELLEN HARVEY became the bride of David Haley in September. They are living in Tacoma where she teaches at the Truman School for Exceptional Children ... LINDA BURNS and Wayne L. Piper II were married recently and are living in Bellingham ... WILLIAM HEARSEY is teaching junior high school industrial arts in Edmonds ... JAY EMRY took the former DEBORAH MAASJO as his bride in August. They are living in Olympia ... MICHAEL HALL teaches sixth grade in Bellingham ... ROBERT EAGER is teaching eighth grade in Coquille City ... LINDA BOIK and Christian N. Goodman III were recently married and are residing in Gig Harbor ... JO ANN ANASTOS is serving as a speech therapist, teacher of remedial reading and substitute teacher for the Friday Harbor School District ... STEPHEN GOODWIN and JEANNE FOUSSERT were married in Seattle and now live in Anacortes where he is teaching fourth grade.