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A Report to Alumni From Western Washington State College

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On-job training for archivists is new program being offered

On-the-job training for archivists is a unique new program to be offered next fall to graduate students in the history department at Western. According to Dr. Roland DeLorme, chairman of the department, the project will be unique in the nation.

"There is a growing need for trained archivists," DeLorme said in describing the program, "and as our nation grows older, the need will continue to increase."

The archival training program at Western was developed by DeLorme in collaboration with Paul A. Kohl, regional director of the National Archives and Record Service in Seattle. Kohl and his archival staff will directly supervise students who will work at the Seattle Federal Record Center.

Kohl will spend some time on the WWSC campus as a result of his involvement in the new program, but will be primarily located at his home base in Seattle. He has been named adjunct professor of history at the college, an honorary position with no salary involved.

Students who enter archival training will spend one quarter on campus, then will spend two quarters in Seattle. Upon completion, they will receive certification as an archivist.

The program will begin with an initial group of from five to seven carefully selected students. The class will go to Seattle during the winter term, where they will spend five hours per day, five days per week, on the job under direct supervision. In addition, the students will attend a number of seminars during their training period.

Through the efforts of Western's Bureau for Faculty Research and the college Financial Aids Office, up to five students who meet financial need qualifications will receive a work-study grant of approximately $2.50 per hour for up to 15 hours per week of their training period. The Records Center will pay 20 per cent of this amount, with WWSC's Financial Aids Office funding the remainder.

The program will remain small and will probably never involve more than a dozen students per year, according to DeLorme.

"Work as an archivist requires individuals who have research experience and a background in history," he said. "Students working toward a master of arts degree in history do, in fact, have this sort of training."

Records entrusted to the keeping of archivists include historical documents which go all the way back into the early history of an area. Under the jurisdiction of Paul Kohl and his staff are records of Alaska, Washington and Oregon territories, before these regions attained statehood. The archivists are required to describe and prepare a brief history of each collection with which they become involved.

Documents filed in Seattle include such things as records of the Corps of Engineers concerning Bellingham Bay. They relate to the history of the area and must be cataloged so that individual items can be relocated.

Flora seeking suggestions for contingent plan

President Flora has asked the college community to contribute suggestions toward development of a contingency plan for the worst likely fiscal situation.

In a letter to Western students, faculty and staff, Dr. Flora explained that it is necessary to begin now to devise a plan based on the assumption that Western will not receive any increase in the overall level of funding for the next six years.

"If such does not occur," the letter says, "we can give a collective sigh of relief and consign the assumption to a dusty drawer. If it happens, we had best be prepared."

In the meantime, the college is still seeking badly needed increases in appropriations for faculty raises and more faculty members. In case these efforts are not successful, the college will need alternative plans for the lean years ahead, it was pointed out.

"The development of such a plan requires careful attention to several questions," the letter continued. Some of the questions are: To what degree should enrollment pressure be recognized as a basis for allocating resources? How can the college assure growth and innovation in the curriculum when financial resources remain static? What modifications, if any, should be made in hiring, tenure and promotion policies?

Founders Club will meet following commencement

Founders Club, an organization of Western alumni of earlier years, will have its second annual meeting June 9, 1972, following commencement exercises. Members of the classes of 1922, 1923 and 1924 will be the honored classes. However, all alumni who graduated in 1924 or earlier will be invited to visit the campus for lunch and a guided motor tour of the changing Western scene.

Founders Club was established in the spring of 1971 and got off to a successful start at the first meeting last June, which was attended by 40 persons.

The alumni office is currently planning this year's luncheon and meeting and would welcome suggestions from Founders Club members. Special invitations will be extended to WWSC President Charles J. Flora, the college trustees and emeritus faculty.

The planning committee includes Helen Goke Rehn of Gig Harbor, Edith Lynde Miller of Seattle, Gertrude Sennes Elliott of Tacoma and Doris Gould Burgess of Eugene, Oregon.
How sweet it was! Vik-Savage series

We're number one!

Settle down, guys

Words of wisdom

Oh joy!

Here comes Fuson

White has the trophy

Franza for two
Dr. Merle Kuder retires after 35 years

Dr. Merle Kuder, professor of education and psychology and dean of students at Western from 1959 to 1967, retired this year after 35 years with the college.

Dr. Kuder joined Western's faculty in 1937, just after the change from state normal school to Western Washington College of Education. "I came here because the college was interested in starting an organized program in student personnel services," he says. "At that time there hardly was such a thing as student personnel services, but I was a fresh Ph.D. with interests in that area."

During his early years at Western, Dr. Kuder's official title was registrar, but he covered a variety of administrative duties. He was also responsible for the counseling center, the college catalog, class schedules and a multitude of other student personnel and academic activities.

"Then in 1947 Donald Ferris was appointed registrar, and I had the complicated title of director of student personnel services and coordinator of instruction," says Kuder. "The college was small, but I guess I was spread pretty thin. Something had to give."

Dr. Kuder became dean of students when Dr. James Jarrett assumed the college presidency in 1959.

Reflecting on his years at Western, Dr. Kuder says that Western began as a very student-centered institution, but later moved toward greater emphasis on academic disciplines. "But now there seems to be a shift back to the realization that our ultimate concern is the individual student," he says.

"Along came Sputnik, and at the same time the college grew in size and complexity and a lot of the administrative burden shifted to the departments. Of course, there were many other factors involved, but as a result the emphasis came to center on academic disciplines.

Instructors would say that they weren't responsible for the growth of their students in anything beyond the classrooms," Dr. Kuder continued. "Over the years I've had many, many discussions with my colleagues on this point.

"It's my conviction that the only way you can measure the excellence of a college is by the total growth of its students. This includes intellectual growth, emotional maturity, ability to adapt--a lot of things not strictly confined to the curriculum.

"Now there seems to be a swing back to a realization on the part of the academic community that college is a total experience. There's more acceptance of the fact that what goes on in the student union, in the living situation and a lot of other areas are all part of the growth and education process.

"A lot of this has come about because of the demands of students," says Dr. Kuder. "They are asking for relevance, not just in their courses, but in the whole educational experience. A strong undercurrent to this is the recognition of students as adults, which has the built-in recognition that people become responsible by taking responsibility.

"This is a very exciting time to be entering the field of student personnel services," he says. "In a way, I leave with reluctance, but I think Western is in very good hands."

Dr. Kuder has made no definite plans for retirement. "It will be a period of exploring various activities, and some travel."

Dr. Kuder and friends—Dr. Merle S. Kuder (center), longtime education and psychology professor at Western and dean of students from 1959 to 1967, is pictured reminiscing at his recent retirement party with Dr. W. W. Haggard (left) and President Flora. Dr. Haggard, who now resides in Seattle, was WWSC president from 1939 to 1959.
Western given AACTE award for program

Western has been presented a certificate of recognition by the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE) for its development of a performance-based, field-oriented program for education students.

The Certificate, one of five given at the Association's Annual Meeting in Chicago, is part of a Distinguished Achievement Awards Program which recognizes outstanding programs developed by the teacher education sector of higher education.

Colleges and universities comprising AACTE membership prepare 90 per cent of the nation's teachers and administrative personnel.

The WWSC program is in operation in kindergarten through twelfth grade at six Seattle schools which are ethnically, socially and economically mixed. Education students complete all of the program's professional components in two quarters and, upon graduation, are issued provisional certification to teach.

The program differs from others in that it utilizes the behavior of the pupils to test the effectiveness of the student teacher. Other programs are focused primarily upon teacher behavior.

Key features are an in-service course for teachers who will supervise Western's student teachers in addition to entry studies, a laboratory component and a practice teaching segment for the education major.

Program evaluation is continuous, characterized by immediate feedback to college students and their supervisors. It focuses upon products such as instructional packages for the prospective teachers as well as the learning outcomes of their pupils. It also deals with processes such as techniques used by the student teachers in working with school children.

To date, only three out of 80 students have failed to complete this performance-based system.

The other four institutions receiving Certificates of Recognition were: California State College, Los Angeles; The Ohio State University, Columbus; Eastern Montana College, Billings; and Kutztown State College, Pa.

Project 1070 providing field-centered, in-service training for disadvantaged

Thirty-two teachers in six Whatcom, Skagit and Snohomish county school districts are participating in a project aimed at improving the education of disadvantaged and minority students in primary grades. Known as Project 1070, the program provides field-centered in-service training for experienced teachers of young disadvantaged children.

Directors of Project 1070, Dr. Bearnice Skeen and Dr. Roberta Bouverat of Western's education department, have received a $49,920 grant from the Office of Education of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare to support the program, now in its second year.

Six experienced kindergarten and primary-school teachers are serving as an instructional team, applying skills acquired during the first year of the project to in-service training of selected teachers in the cooperating school districts. The districts involved are Bellingham, Meridian, Ferndale, Burlington-Edison, Marysville and Sedro Woolley.

The training program included a three-week workshop held at WWSC last summer. During the school year, off-campus classes for college credit have been offered in or near the participating teachers' school districts.
Council of AS presidents gives nod to Governor Evans

The Council of Student Body Presidents of the state's five four-year colleges and universities has gone on record favoring the reelection of Gov. Dan Evans as governor of the State of Washington.

In a joint press release the group named State Rep. James McDermott as its second choice.

Concerning State Sen. Martin J. Durkan, the release said... "We have little respect for Senator Durkan, for we believe that his political performance has been one clearly geared toward the objective of crowning the good senator 'Governor' rather than toward the good of the public.''

Evans was called "a man who has demonstrated praiseworthy characteristics not often found in most elected leaders: moral and intellectual strength, political courage and most importantly, honesty ..."

The release was signed by associated student presidents Tod Sundquist of Western, Carlton Lewis of Washington State University, Ralph Anderson of the University of Washington, Steve Harrison of Central and John Allen of Eastern.

Project gets federal funding

WWSC has received funding from the U.S. Office of Education for continuation of Project Involvement, a teacher corps program conducted by Western's education department for the past two years.

Project Involvement provides training leading to teacher certification with an emphasis on the teaching of rural disadvantaged and ethnic minority children.

The current program will enroll 37 teacher corps interns. Participating school districts include Anacortes, LaConner, Arlington, Cape Flattery and Quillayute Valley.

UN study tour being organized

A study tour is being organized by Huxley College of Western to take advantage of the United Nations Environmental Conference May 29 through July 16 in Stockholm, Sweden. More than 1,000 delegates from 130 nations will gather to consider the environment and the world's future. The seven-week program will include side visits to several European countries to observe a variety of environmental problems and solutions.

Students and interested persons are welcome to take part in the tour at a cost of $900 to $1,000 per person, including tuition, housing, meals and transportation. Students will receive 10 credits through Huxley that may be applied to an undergraduate or fifth-year program.

Requests for registration forms or for more detailed information should be directed to the Center for Continuing Studies, WWSC, Bellingham, Washington 98225.

In Memoriam

'17 ALBERT F. HENNES, in Seattle.
'18 T. MAVIE OLSON BENSON, January 27, in Olympia.
'66 ALICE LAMPMAN, in Bellingham.
Unclassified JAMES W. BUSSING, February 11, in Port Angeles.

NEW SERVICE AT WWSC—Alfred Brandt (left) of the Whatcom County Department of Social and Health Services, discusses the campus Information and Volunteer Center (IVC) with Barbara Hayes, coordinator of the Whatcom Volunteer Center, and Irene Raymond (right), coordinator of IVC. The IVC was recently established in the foyer of the Viking Union at WWSC and disseminates information on college events and programs and community affairs. In addition, the new center will bring together Western students with services to donate with community organizations needing volunteers.
Western senior wins audition

Dana Talley, a Western senior majoring in vocal performance, was one of four winners in the Metropolitan Opera Association district auditions in Seattle recently. Going on to the Northwest regional auditions representing Washington, Oregon, Idaho and western Canada, Talley placed third.

Talley is 21 years old, the youngest of all the winners in the auditions. Recognition as an opera performer is quite unusual at such an early age, since an opera singer's voice does not mature until he is about 30 years old.

"My voice isn't mature yet," Talley says, "and I have years of hard work ahead of me before it will be."

What, then, would explain his unusual success in the Metropolitan Opera Association competitions?

"I love the music," says Talley. "When I get up to sing, I'm not up there just to show people how great I am. The music is what's important and I try to communicate my love for it."

The Metropolitan Opera Association holds auditions all over the world to discover talented singers. The organization has assumed a role similar to art patrons among the nobility of earlier eras; it helps each winner by providing scholarships and teachers.

After he graduates from Western, Talley will go to New York for further study. Opera is one of the most demanding art forms there is, and he compares the rigorous training he must undergo to the preparations of an Olympic athlete.

Talley rates the training he has received at Western as outstanding. "Western's music department is one of the best there is," he says. Dr. Jacob Hamm, associate professor of music, has been Talley's principal voice teacher during the past four years.

Roll Call

'31 ALICE HEGGEM is working as a substitute elementary school teacher with the Nogales Mission in Arizona. Part of the program deals with the bilingual education of Mexican-speaking students.

'51 JOAN CALKINS has accepted the position of assistant professor of education at La Verne College, La Verne, Calif., for next fall. She will be opening their early childhood education department when the school begins to offer a bachelor of arts degree in early childhood education.

'53 Mr. and Mrs. HARRIS SECKEL (BONNIE NOLA, '54) are living in Federal Way. Harris received his master of education degree in December from the University of Puget Sound; Bonnie is working toward a master's degree in librarianship from the University of Washington.

'56 FRANK NIELSEN is living in Edmonds where he teaches music for the Shoreline School District.

'58 JANET L. JOHNSON is teaching arts and crafts at Kelles Junior High School in Puyallup . . . ALICE MEURER is living in Colombia, South America, where she is providing homes for orphans. She has been there since June 1970.

'64 FREDRICK CHARLTON and Kristi Ann Eide were married recently in Mount Vernon. They are living in Bellingham where he is working on his master's degree in history.

'65 JUDY AKER PAUR is part of the differentiated staff in the Lake Washington School District where she teaches third and sixth grades two days a week . . . FRED WEIHE is presently principal of Happy Valley Elementary School in Bellingham . . . ROBERT PLAYER is the new assistant principal at Sehome High School in Bellingham . . . EDWIN ANDRES is an assistant professor of science education at the University of Saskatchewan. Effective last April he was appointed chairman of the science education department . . . HOWARD "TONY" TINSLEY has received his Ph.D. in psychology from the University of Minnesota and is now an assistant professor in the Department of Counseling at the University of Oregon . . . USAF Capt. CHARLES HAGERHJELM has received his second award of the Distinguished Flying Cross and his second through fifth awards of the air medal for air action in Southeast Asia.

'66 LAWRENCE MADDEN received his master's degree in Germanics from the University of Washington in 1970 and is now teaching high school German at Peninsula High School and is also coaching soccer at the high school . . . WILLIS ZIEBELL has received a probationary appointment from the civil service list and is undergoing orientation and training in Bellingham . . . NANCY FAGAN and Michael Smith were married last Thanksgiving and are residing and teaching in the Bellevue-Kirkland area.

'67 MARIA LLOYD and Vernon Hoffer were married last November. She is teaching English at Raymond High School . . . Mr. and Mrs. RONALD PENLEY (SALLY HUNT, '68) are living in Olympia where he is a cost accountant for the State Department of Motor Vehicles and she is a graphic artist for an architectural firm . . . JOAN K. ANDERSON and John Kusske were married in December. They are currently living in Minneapolis, Minn. . . . ROGER SANDBERG has been named Western sales manager by Standard Havens Systems of Glasgow and Kansas City, Mo. The firm manufactures asphalt surge storage systems . . . USAF Capt. ROBERT DICKINSON was recently awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for heroism while flying an F-4 in Viet Nam . . . LESTER "NICK" CARTER has been named assistant vice-president of the Whidbey Island Bank.

'68 ELLEN EASTEBROOK is a primary teacher in Bellingham . . . LINDA SCHOEELLER and LAWRENCE PETERSON were married in December in Seattle . . . J. MICHAEL KOCH is employed as a deputy prosecutor for Kitsap County.

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’69 JOHN O’ROURKE is manager of the Transamerica Title Co. which recently opened in Bellingham ... SIGNE ANN THORSEN is the program coordinator for the emergency assistance program of Alameda County (EAPAC) in Hayward, Calif. ... JAY CASTLE is working for the University of Colorado Medical Center as an accountant and attending that same university working toward his master’s degree in finance ... KATHLEEN HOLLAND and Larry Nelson were married in December. They are living in Seattle where she is employed in the University of Washington microbiology lab ... JAMES JOHANSEN and NANCY COLLINS JOHANSEN are living in Seattle where he is teaching junior high school and she is doing substitute teaching ... BEVERLY JENNINGS is teaching kindergarten under the Title I Program in Mingo County, W. Va.

’70 JAMES GEDDES is undergoing orientation and training in Bellingham as a probation officer ... SHIRLEY DUBRAU is teaching third grade in Bellingham ... ALICE DAVIDSON and Paul Jorgenson were married recently in Seattle ... AIRMAN STEPHEN C. ALLEN has completed basic training at Lackland AFB and has been assigned to Sheppard AFB for training as a medical helper ... NANCY GENUING has been awarded a graduate fellowship from the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International for the 1972-73 year. Under terms of the award, she will seek admission to the University of St. Andrew in Scotland where she intends to study English ... LAUREN JEPPERSON is the new girls’ physical education teacher at Whatcom Middle School in Bellingham ... LORRAINE O’NEILL is living in Tonkawa, Okla., where she is teaching kindergarten in the morning and seventh grade in the afternoon ... TOM COBURN and Janice Wade were married recently. He is presently employed by Sea Land Services, Inc. in Anchorage ... MICHAEL BERRY has been promoted to assistant chief chemist of Columbia Cement’s Bellingham plant ... SYLVIA JEAN PITT teaches a combination fourth and fifth grade at Silver Beach Elementary School in Bellingham ... LISA LIESMANN and Steven Bergquist were married in December in Bremerton ... CHERYL KAZDA is the new reading improvement teacher at Sunnyside Elementary School in Bellingham ... NAVY Lt. (j.g.) DAVID P. JONES was designated a naval aviator during ceremonies in Beeville, Texas ... DAN DOOLIN is employed as a Bellingham police officer ... LINDA HUTTENMAIER and KEN ERIKSEN were married in October and are both teaching in Aberdeen ... DAVID BEEDON recently completed an electronics specialist course at the Army Signal School at Ft. Monmouth, N.J.

’71 Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE BOURCIER (LYNN NELSON, ’71) are living in Elma where she teaches fourth grade and he is completing his education at Pacific Lutheran University ... KITTY SLADKOWSKI and DOUGLAS SCOTT were married recently and are living in Spokane where he is attending Gonzaga Law School and she is attending EWS ... DIANE WELDE and DAVID WEIR were married recently in Federal Way ... SHEILA GILES teaches second grade in Bellingham ... CHARLES ANDERSON was elected state board representative for the Young Democrats and is also working on his master’s degree in comparative literature at the University of Puget Sound ... DEBORAH SAWYER and STEVEN ADELSTEIN were married in January and are living in Spokane where he is attending Gonzaga Law School and she is employed by a Spokane law firm ... JANICE HENSEN and ROLAND CLARK were married in December and are living in Elk, Idaho, where he is teaching ... SHARON SPINALE is teaching second grade in Bellingham ... EDWARD PITTS is teaching in Morton ... LANA RASMUSSEN and ROBERT WHORLEY were married in January. They are presently on a tour of South America while he works on journals contributing to his degree in art history ... AIRMAN KENT BENN III has completed air force basic training and has been assigned to Keiser AFB, Miss., for training in the communications field ... STEVE JENKINS is employed as a sales representative for Miles Laboratories ... CORY SWINBURNSON was recently sworn into the navy’s OCS program and will report to Newport, R.I. ... LYNN BREKEY and Warren Clark were married in December in Bellingham ... VICTOR LEONARD has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the air force ... HILLARY BURRELL teaches girls’ physical education at Bellingham High School ... YIRGA GABRE is assigned in the Ethiopian Ministry of Education and Fine Arts to plan a four-year degree awarding teacher training college which is due to open during the next academic year ... BARBARA MALLETT and Raymond Frye were married in December and are living in Puyallup ... BRUCE BIDDLE assists with the football and wrestling at Oak Harbor High School ... SANDY WOODS is teaching third grade in Bellingham ... GARY McGILL is a high school choral director in Bremerton, B.C. ... DIANE BROOKS and Rodney Lohof were married in September and are living in Portland.

Unclassified

KAYRENE WHITE teaches business education at Bellingham High School ... JOHN S. SNIDER has been appointed vice president and director of marketing for Pacific West Management Corporation ... PAMELA BRINK is teaching first grade in Bellingham ... BILL HONEYSETT has been promoted to publisher of the Bellingham Herald ... VICKI L. PETERSON and RICHARD FLEMMING were recently married and are living in Seattle ... KATHLEEN DORR teaches a combination third and fourth grade class in Bellingham ... PAULINE BARNHART is teaching business and office occupations classes at Sehome High School ... CATHY CHRISTOPHERSON and Don Carr were married in December and are living in Oak Harbor where he is serving at the Whidbey Island Naval Air Station ... LYNN TURNER and Dwight Richards were married in January in Seattle ... GEORGE SHOOK is the manager of the new Shaker’s Pizza Parlor in Puyallup ... WENDY WEN-CHIH CHEN and Tsung-chiang Chen were married in December in Bellingham ... ELLEN CUNNINGHAM and John Garrett were married in December in Seattle ... Nancy Ann Jansen and THOMAS McILRAITH were married recently and are living in Puyallup where they are teaching ... VICKIE JONES is teaching kindergarten in Bellingham ... DON HOUCK is teaching math at Sehome High School in Bellingham.