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HEADING

1 Name of officer or employe now holding the position (Surname first) <b>Paul L. Garrett</b>	DO NOT FOLD <b>POSITION DESCRIPTION</b> (ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NEEDED)	3 Leave this space blank
4 Official title of position <b>President</b>	5 Rate of pay (Indicate whether Yr., Mo., Day, or Hr.) <b>\$ 5000 per yr</b>	6 Place of work or headquarters (Address—give room number) <b>Administration Bldg.</b>
7 Department (or board, commission, institution, or other agency) <b>Western Ky. Teachers Col.</b>	8 Division or institution (or other major branch) of department or other agency <b>College &amp; Trg. School</b>	9 Subdivision of major branch of agency

NATURE, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE POSITION

**BLANKS TO BE FILLED IN BY (OR FOR) OFFICER OR EMPLOYE (Read the Separate Sheet of Instructions Before Starting)**

10 Description of Duties. Describe the work that you do. Read the paragraph numbered 10 on the accompanying sheet of instructions before you start. Use a separate paragraph for each kind of work. First explain the kind of work that takes up most of your time. Describe it fully. Then take up and describe your next most important and so on, putting the special or occasional duties last. Be sure to make your descriptions definite enough and in enough detail to give a clear picture of the work of your position. In the column at the left, opposite each description of a kind of work that you do, give your best estimate of the fraction or percent of your total working time that is taken up by that kind of work.	Percent or Fraction of Total Time	
	30%	Conference with members of the staff.
	15%	Conference with students, alumni, other visitors.
	20%	Correspondence, phone, etc.
	20%	Off campus, educational meetings, field trips, speaking engagements, trips in connection with Federal Public Housing, Surplus Commodities, and State Dept. of Education.
	5%	Meetings of Board of Regents and Executive Committee.
	5%	Assembly programs.
	5%	Supervision, grounds, buildings, farm, construction work.

11 Title by which your position is commonly called <b>President</b>	12 License or certification requirements, if any <b>None</b>
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13 If you have any suggestions to make that would facilitate or simplify your work, or the work of your group, give them in this space or on an attached sheet

14 Name of your immediate superior, that is, the person who has immediate supervision over your work	15 Title of your immediate superior, named in answer to 14
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16 Supervision exercised over your work. Describe the kind and extent of direction and instruction you receive in the performance of your work as explained in paragraph 16 of the "Instructions"

17 Supervision you have directly over others. If you supervise no employes directly write "none." If you supervise directly not more than 5, list the employes you so supervise, giving their titles and names. If more than 5, group them by titles, indicating how many of each title, and omit names. In either case describe the nature of the supervision you exercise over these employes. Show, in the last column, how many employes each of your own immediate subordinates supervises.

HOW MANY	TITLES	NAMES	NATURE OF SUPERVISION	NUMBER UNDER EACH
20	Asst. - Dean - Registrar	Campus Policeman	Thomas W. Hines, Treasurer	
	Bursar - Engineer	- Two stenographers -		
	Supt. of Grounds	2 Dorm. matrons - Dir.		
	Nurse - Dietitian	Vets. Village - Divided		
	Dir. of Personnel	supervision for 2 librarians and Dir. of Extension.		
	Edwin G. Knauer, Chief Electrician			

18 Indicate whether continuing, seasonal, temporary, full-time, or part-time position	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continuing (without limit as to period) <input type="checkbox"/> Seasonal (during _____ months each year) <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary (for _____ days)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full time <input type="checkbox"/> Part time, averaging _____ hrs. per (Mo., Wk., or Da.)	19a Is your position covered by any form of merit system? (If answer is "Yes" give civil service status in 19b) Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	19b Civil Service status If temporary show kind: <input type="checkbox"/> Provisional <input type="checkbox"/> Transient <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary
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PAY, WORKING HOURS AND CONDITIONS

20 Regular rate of pay \$ 5000 yr. (Yr., Mo., Da., Hr.)

21 Rate of pay for overtime or other extra service per (Yr., Mo., Da., Hr.)

Total overtime pay received last year \$

22 Any other cash compensation for work of this or related position from federal, state, county, city, or other public funds Source Rate Amount Last Year \$

23 Allowances "in kind":  
 One meal a day  
 Two meals a day  
 Three meals a day  
 Furnished room or rooms  
 Unfurnished room or rooms  
 Furnished house   
 Unfurnished house  
 Groceries and supplies  
 Vegetables  
 Fuel   
 Light   
 Heat   
 Medical service  
 Dental service  
 Laundry

24 Other allowances "in kind" (Describe) telephone except personal long distance

25 How many dependents share with you in the several allowances "in kind"? \$1200 yr.

26 Annual cash value of all these allowances "in kind" (Best estimate) \$1200 yr.

27 Do you receive cash in lieu of any allowances in kind? If so, what is the total a year? Yes No \$

28 Any expense involved in your work that is borne by you without reimbursement, as for supplies, equipment, etc. (Describe) Total annual amount \$

29 Total amount deducted from regular pay last year because of absence, tardiness, or other lost time: \$ Explain:

30 Any contributions or costs reducing your net compensation, such as to pension or other funds. What kind? Annual amount \$ Percentage rate

31 Regular working hours: Usual Work Days (From 9 AM to 5:30 PM), Saturdays (From 9 AM to 12 PM), Sundays (From 12-1:30), Lunch time and other time regularly taken during these hours (12-1:30)

32 Describe any variations from the regular working hours specified: Sometimes work night-Sat P.M. and Sunday

33 Net regular working hours a week: 38

34 Hours of overtime in last year (Best estimate) With pay 100 Without pay Compensated by time off

35 Working days of vacation allowance with pay taken in the last year: 5 days

36 Working days of sick leave with pay taken in the last year: 3 days

37 Days of leave with pay other than vacation and sick leave received in the last year: 3 days

38 What principal machines and tools do you use in your work? Include total of full days and fractions of days

Type	Trade Name	Size or Model	Portion of Working Time Used

39 If you operate a motor vehicle for your own transportation in the course of your work (whether with or without other persons, or equipment and supplies), fill in the blanks that follow:

Miles traveled (Average a month) 100

Allowance for use of your own car: Flat rate \$ (Mo., or Yr.) Gas Tires

Auto supplies furnished you (value a year): Mileage 5 cents a mile Oil Other

PERSONAL DATA

40 Sex: M  F

41 Age: 53

42 Date of birth: 11-2-'93

43 Family status: Married  Single

44 Number of dependents: Part 2 Complete 0

45 How many years:  
 a. In the service: 29  
 b. In this agency: 9

46 For how many of these years have your duties been substantially the same in kind and grade as now? 22

47 Previous positions held, both in the public service and before entering the public service. (List in reverse order, showing the most recent one on the first line)

FROM (YEAR)	TO (YEAR)	POSITION	DEPARTMENT, DIVISION, OR OTHER EMPLOYER	STARTING RATE	LAST RATE
1937-Jan	Sept. '37	State Director Personnel	Finance Dept.	\$4500	\$4500
Sept. '24	Sept. '37	Supt. Schools	Versailles Schools	2500	3500
Sept. '19	Sept. '24	Supt. Schools	New Castle Schools	1350	1800
June '18	March '19	Army			
Sept. '17	June '19	Principal H.S.	Campbellsburg, Ky.	1200	1200
Sept. '15	June '17	Principal H.S.	Crittenden, Ky.	765	765

48 Education: Common and high school 12, College or university 6-7

Description of special or technical courses, and years of work completed in each: A.B. '14 A.M. '15

Degrees, certificates, etc., and years in which attained

49 I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the entries in the spaces preceding on this form are true and complete answers to the questions to which they relate. I understand that my position is to be evaluated largely on the basis of the facts presented.

October 21, 1946 (Date) Bowling Green, K. (Legal or voting residence) [Signature] (Signature of Employee)

CERTIFICATES

BLANKS TO BE FILLED IN BY IMMEDIATE SUPERIOR (See Separate Sheet of Instructions and Entries Under Questions 14 and 15 on this Card)

50 I have examined the entries in all the preceding spaces on this form and have (1) no corrections or additions to make, and (2) no comments regarding the work or pay of the position, except as stated here or on a sheet attached. (Failure to make comment indicates approval)

51 Qualifications that should be required of a new appointee to fill this position, in case of a vacancy. Disregard the qualifications the present incumbent may happen to have or not to have

Experience (Give kind and length)

Personal characteristics (Specify)

52 Show, in the appropriate space, the least number of years of formal education that you consider should be required

Common and high school College or university Special or technical courses, and license or certification requirements

53 I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the entries by the employe and by me hereon provide true and complete answers to the questions, except as indicated under Question 50. I understand that the position is to be evaluated largely on the basis of the facts presented.

(Date) (Title) (Signature of immediate superior named in Question 14)

BLANKS TO BE FILLED BY HEAD OF AGENCY OR HIS AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE (Absence of entries indicates full approval)

54 I have no comments to make in correction or addition to the statements on this form and no additional remarks relating to the work or pay of the position or other matters relating to it, except as follows:

55 I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all the entries on this form, taken together, set forth the information called for by the questions accurately and completely.

10-4-46 (Date) (Title of head or his representative) [Signature] (Signature)



## Dr. Garrett Becomes Part of a Legend

THE role of the great man's successor is difficult. And when PAUL GARRETT was named president of Western State College in the fall of 1937, he realized that he would be measured against the legend of Dr. H. H. CHERRY, the man whose lifelong devotion to the organization and development of the school had left his name identified in the minds of Kentuckians with the Bowling Green college. In his quiet, painstaking way, PAUL GARRETT took up the task that Dr. CHERRY had left. And long before he died this week at the age of 61 the name of GARRETT, too, had become a legend cherished in the hearts of all Hilltoppers.

If there was one reason for the affection with which he was regarded, it was probably that he loved the school—not as an institution of growing importance, but as a group of young people making their start in life. His home was always open to them. They knew that they could count on his help and advice. He followed the athletic teams with an intense interest, and was usually on hand to welcome the boys home from out-of-town games. From a small teachers' school to its present status, Western progressed greatly under Dr. GARRETT. Yet it was his unfaltering concern for his students that marked his administration. And for that concern he will be remembered.

## Dr. Garrett's Funeral Set For Today

### Western President's Body Lies In State

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The 61-year-old president of Western Kentucky State College died at his campus home here yesterday. He suffered a paralytic stroke in November, 1950, and last May fell and broke his hip. He had been confined to bed much of the time since then.

All activities at Western, including classes, were suspended until after the funeral.

Dr. Garrett's body will remain at Van Meter Auditorium on the Western campus until 2 hours before the funeral. A military guard of honor from Western's Reserve Officer Training Corps will be on duty near the bier.

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Eight students will serve as pallbearers.

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Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Virginia Ryland Garrett; two sons, Capt. Paul Garrett, Westover Field, Mass., and Ryland G. Garrett, and a sister, Miss Anna B. Garrett, Bowling Green.

# Rites For Dr. Garrett Conducted

An estimated 1,500 persons, including state dignitaries and educators from numerous Kentucky and Tennessee colleges, attended funeral services here yesterday afternoon for Dr. Paul L. Garrett, president of Western State College.

Dr. Garrett, 61, died Monday afternoon at his home on the Western campus following an illness of more than a year.


The Rev. H. Franklin Paschall, pastor of First Baptist Church, of which Dr. Garrett was a member and the scene of the funeral, referred to Dr. Garrett as a man who was "in step with his God. He had a true love for his students and his friends."

Heading the list of officials at the funeral was Gov. Lawrence Wetherby.

Also here were former Gov. A. B. (Happy) Chandler, who recommended Dr. Garrett for the Western post 17½ years ago; Dr. H. L. Donovan, president of University of Kentucky; Dr. W. F. O'Donnell, president of Sastern State College; Dr. Adron Doran, president of Morehead State College; Dr. Ralph Woods, president of Murray State College; Wendell Butler, state superintendent of public instruction, and delegations from several Tennessee colleges and universities.

Prior to the funeral, the body was viewed by hundreds of students and friends as it lay in state for two

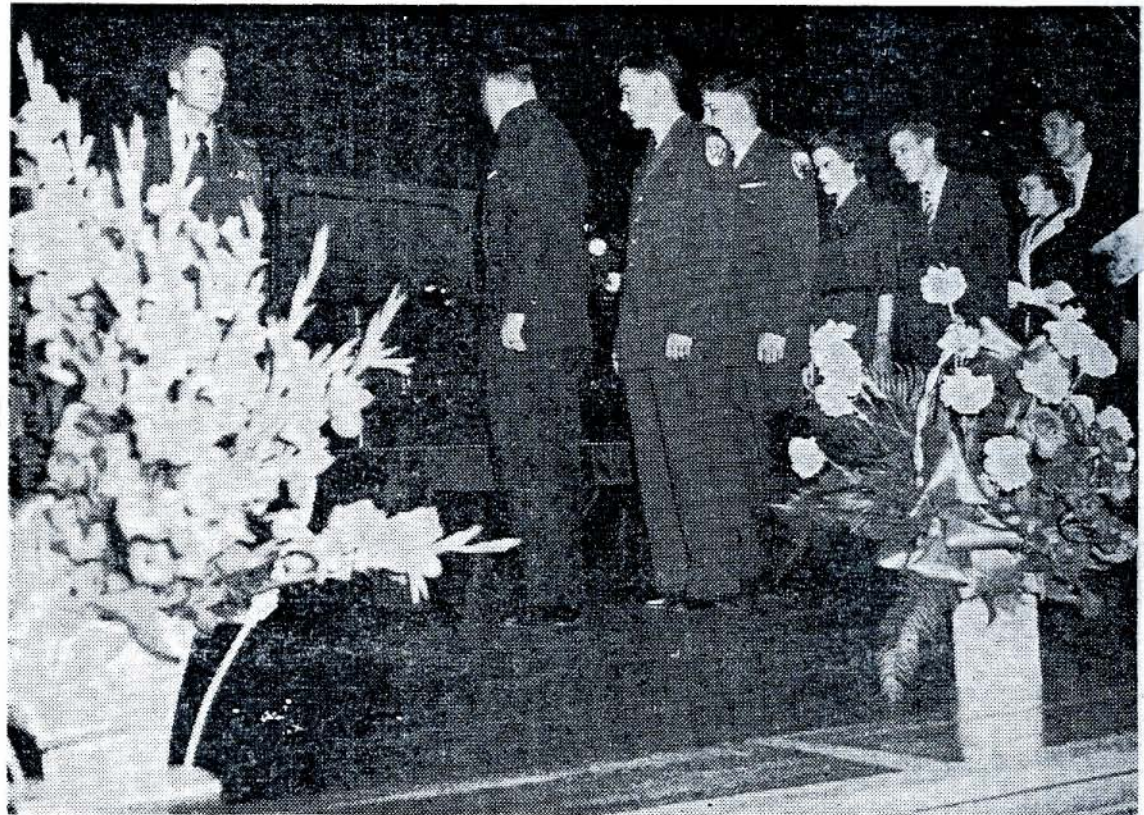
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(Daily News Photo)  
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## Rites For

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hours at Van Meter Auditorium. An honor guard was furnished by Air and Army ROTC units at the college.

Music at the funeral was furnished by a crimson-robed choir from the Western music department. Active pallbearers were James Daniels, president of the senior class; Lacey Wilkins, president of the Junior class; Dewey Bratcher, president of the sophomore class; James Owens, president of the freshman class; Charles Hood, representing the Army ROTC; Richard Baker of the Air ROTC; Jerry Passathume, co-captain of the 1954 Western football team, and Forrest Able, representing the Western basketball team.

E. Kelly Thompson, who had served as assistant to Dr. Garrett, today said the college's Board of Regents will meet in the immediate future to lay the groundwork for selection of a successor. The board is made up of four members with the state superintendent of public instruction serving as ex-officio member.

# State Officials Attend Rites For Garrett

3-3-55  
Wetherby Among 1,000  
Honoring College Leader

Bowling Green, Ky., March 2 (AP)—About 1,000 persons, including Governor Wetherby, attended the funeral of Dr. Paul L. Garrett, second president of Western Kentucky State College, at First Baptist Church today.

The officiating minister, Dr. Franklin H. Taschal, said Dr. Garrett, who died at his campus home Monday at 61, was "in step with his God. He had a true love for his students and his friends."

Others at the service included former Governor A. B. Chandler; Wendell Butler, State superintendent of public instruction, and Dr. H. L. Donovan, president of the University of Kentucky.

Born at Waddy, Ky., Dr. Garrett took office as Western's president in 1937.

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Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Virginia Ryland Garrett, two sons, and a sister. *Favorite*

# Ruby's Report

President Garrett A Game Sport;  
Seton Hall Beats Out Eastern;  
U. of L. Insures K.I.T. Success

By EARL RUBY, *Courier-Journal Sports Editor*

College athletics lost a sympathetic leader and avid follower in the death of President Paul Garrett of Western Kentucky College.

There never has been a college president more determined to fit a well-rounded sports program into a balanced campus life, without allowing it to go out of bounds.

He made at least five trips to New York to watch his Hilltoppers in basketball tournaments.

... His inseparable companions on those and other trips for Western, were Uncle Ed Diddle, basketball coach, and Kelly Thompson, his long-time assistant.

He often said that Uncle Ed was the best coach and Kelly the most brilliant assistant a president could have.

When Diddle was in an oxygen tent following two frightening heart attacks three years ago, President spent hours cheering him up.

When Garrett fell ill, Diddle and Kelly took over for him. ... Coach shaved him, and performed a thousand other personal favors. ... Kelly dug in at the office, and kept the college functioning at the high level he knew his friend demanded.

The loss cuts an unbeatable threesome down to a hard-to-beat twosome.

## Louisville's First?

**Probability—Seton Hall** yesterday received the N.I.T. bid which Eastern Kentucky has been waiting for. ... This is a real blow to Paul McBrayer's Maroons, who could clobber a half-dozen or more of the teams in both the N.I.T. and N.C.A.A. meets.

Tulsa, St. Louis or Alabama will get the last remaining bid, as previously mentioned. ... Asa Bushnell, Eastern Intercollegiate president, is trying for Alabama, but will settle for St. Louis or Tulsa.

Hottest tip from Madison Square Garden is that Louisville's first opponent in the Invitational will be Seton Hall. ... That's matchmaking with an eye on the gate.



President Garrett

## K.I.T. Goes Up!

**U. L. Agreeable**—Here is another feedbox flash, and it is good: The Kentucky Invitational Basketball Tournament, held annually in the Armory during the Christmas holidays, will be an eight-team elim from now on.

Peck Hickman, Cardinal athletic director, said yesterday that his school is agreeable to any promotion of this nature that will help Kentucky and Louisville.

Other directors voted to make an eight-team tourney of the annual meet, provided U. L. was willing. ... Hickman was out of the city with his team at the time and could not be reached for a vote.

The Kentucky Junior Chamber of Commerce had requested the change from a four-team tourney, looking toward an annual college classic that might fill the Kentucky State Fair Coliseum's 18,500 planned seats.

## U. L. Needs A Break

**No Practice**—While the Cardinals are lending a willing hand to this civic promotion, it might be well to mention again that the Cards themselves need help. ... If they do not find some way soon to build a good-sized practice floor on the campus they can't hope to reach a degree of perfection needed to make them a drawing power capable of filling the new coliseum.



Roscoe Goose

The crackerbox now used for practice injured more good athletes than all opposing clubs combined.

## Goose, Young Wow

**Good Boys**—Downtown Opticists were treated yesterday to humorous turf reminiscences of Roscoe Goose and Tom Young. ... Roscoe's recollections date back to the time when he was pawned to a pawnbroker. ...

He and his agent were broke. They cooked up a very sane deal, they thought. They went to the pawnbroker, who also owned some horses. They offered to put Roscoe's services as a jockey in hock to the gentleman for \$25. ... "If we don't pick up the tab in 10 days, Roscoe is your jockey," the agent promised. ... The cash was delivered.

Sadly, the pair did not raise the \$25, and true to their word, Roscoe became the turf rider of the pawnbroker.



Ed Diddle

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# President At Western 17½ Years Dies

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other fields. He was director of the American Legion's Bluegrass Boys State. He was prominently connected with the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and in 1938 was president of the Kentucky Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

He was a member of Kentucky Education Association, National Education Association, Phi Delta Kappa Fraternity, and the Rotary and Filson clubs.

### Hobbies Included Fishing

His hobbies included fishing, particularly casting for bass, and reading English and history.

He was a lifelong Democrat and a member of First Baptist Church in Bowling Green.

Survivors are his wife, formerly Miss Virginia Ryland Ellis, New Castle, whom he married in 1921; two sons, Capt. Paul E. Garrett, with the Air Force in Westover, Mass., and Ryland Gray Garrett, Winchester; a sister, Miss Beryl Garrett, Bowling Green, and three grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements were delayed.

# President of Western, Dr. Paul L. Garrett, Dies

## Widely Known Educator, Second President Of College, Had Served In Post Nearly 18 Years

Special to The Courier-Journal 3/1, 55

Bowling Green, Ky., Feb. 28.—Dr. Paul L. Garrett, second president of Western Kentucky State College since it was founded in 1906, died at his campus home at 4 p.m. today.

He suffered a paralytic stroke in his office November 20, 1950. He was making rapid strides toward recovery when on May 1, 1954, he fell while strolling near his home and suffered a broken hip. He had been confined to his bed since that accident.

Dr. Garrett, 61, succeeded Dr. H. H. Cherry, the first president of Western, September 1, 1937. He was appointed to the post by Governor A. B. Chandler.

All activities at Western, including classes, will be suspended until after the funeral.

### 'Cruel and Heavy Blow'

In Frankfort, Governor Wetherby called Dr. Garrett's death a "cruel and heavy blow to the progress of higher education in Kentucky."

"Under his forceful leadership, Western Kentucky State College has become a prominent institution, even outside the borders of Kentucky. One of the bright stars of schooldom in Kentucky has fallen."

The Governor said Dr. Garrett was a close friend and that his visits to the State Capitol "were a source of pleasure and friendliness to all with whom he associated."

### Board To Name Successor

"I join his family, the Western student body, the faculty, and the alumni of this college in being deeply grieved by his departure."

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Wendell P. Butler said, "No school man in Kentucky had more personal friends than President Garrett. His friendly smile, sincere handshake, and unique way of greeting you will long be remembered."

### 'Influence Will Live On'

Butler, who was in St. Louis, called Dr. Garrett a "great college president. For Western he gave all. He lived, he died, but his influence will live on."

Dr. Garrett's successor will be appointed by Western's board of regents.

Dr. Garrett was a native of Waddy, Shelby County. After completing high school in Shelby County, he received three degrees



DR. PAUL L. GARRETT

from Georgetown College, Georgetown, Ky. He then did graduate work at the University of Kentucky and the University of Chicago.

His first school work was as principal of Crittenden High School. He was principal of Campbellsburg High School when called for service in World War I. He served overseas with the 325th Field Artillery Battalion.

He became principal of New Castle High School after returning from military service and held that position until 1924, when he became superintendent of the Versailles City schools.

### Interests Were Wide

It was there that he became acquainted with Chandler. Dr. Garrett was granted a leave of absence to accept an appointment by Chandler as State personnel director. He then was named head of the State college.

Dr. Garrett has been credited by educators with doing much to make the college rank among the leading ones of the state.

His interests were wide in  
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# GREEN DAILY NEWS

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KY. TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 1955

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## Western President Paul L. Garrett Dies; Services Scheduled Tomorrow

Dr. Paul L. Garrett, president of Western State College since 1937, died at 4 p.m. yesterday at his home on the Western campus. He was 61.

Stricken with a paralytic stroke in November, 1953, he was making rapid strides toward recovery and had been able to return to his office when he fell and broke a hip last May while walking in the driveway of his home.

Since that time, he had been confined almost entirely to his bed.

The funeral will be at 3 p.m. tomorrow at First Baptist Church, of which he was a member. The Rev. H. Franklin Paschall, pastor, is to officiate and burial will be in Fairview Cemetery.

The body will be at the residence until 12:30 p.m. tomorrow, at which time it will be moved to Van Meter Auditorium and lie in state until 2:30 p.m.

A military guard of honor is to be furnished by the Western military department, and eight students—representative of the entire student body—are to serve as active pallbearers.

Serving as honorary pallbearers will be all members of the faculty



Dr. Paul L. Garrett

and administrative staff at the college, past and present state officials, the Board of Regents, American Legion, Rotary Club, EQB Club and representatives of colleges and universities.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs.

Virginia Ryland Garrett, to whom he was married June 21, 1921; two sons, Capt. Paul E. Garrett, stationed with the Air Force at Westover, Mass., and Ryland G. Garrett, Winchester; a sister, Miss Beryl Garrett, Bowling Green.

Immediately following his death, college officials announced that all school functions would be suspended until after the funeral. The Bowling Green Business University also is to adjourn classes at noon tomorrow, resuming its regular schedule Thursday morning.

At Frankfort this morning, the office of Gov. Lawrence Wetherby said he probably will attend the funeral as representative of the state administration.

Edward Farris, secretary to the Governor, told the Daily News by telephone that any action relative to the choosing of a successor to Dr. Garrett will come from Western's Board of Regents. Farris said Governor Wetherby would make no recommendations.

The school's Board of Regents is composed of J. P. Masters, City, and John E. Richardson, Glasgow,

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Democratic members; Judge Clarence Bartlett, Hartford, and Vernon L. Shallcross, Louisville, Republican members; and Wendell P. Butler, state superintendent of public instruction, ex-officio member.

Terms of Judge Bartlett and Shallcross expired some time ago but both will continue to serve until re-appointments are made successors named by Governor Wetherby.

Since Dr. Garrett's illness, duties of the president's office have been administered by his assistant, E. Kelly Thompson, and it is assumed that Thompson will continue in this role until a successor is named.

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The state superintendent of public instruction said he "gave all for Western. He lived, he died, but his influence will live on."

Dr. Garrett was named president of Western 17½ years ago as the successor to Dr. H. H. Cherry, who founded the institution in 1906 and served as its president until his death in 1937.

A native of Waddy, Ky., born Nov. 2, 1893, he received three degrees from Georgetown College—the Bachelor of Arts in 1914, the Master of Arts in 1915 and an honorary Doctor of Laws in 1938—and did graduate work at University of Chicago and University of Kentucky.

He was principal of Crittender High School in 1915-1917, of Campbellsburg High in 1917-18 and New Castle High School from 1920 to 1924. He served as superintendent of Versailles city schools from 1924 until February, 1937, when he became director of the personnel division of Kentucky. Seven months later, he took over as head of Western.

Dr. Garrett served in France with the 325th Field Artillery during World War I and has been active in work of the American Legion since his release.

In connection with his Legion work, he had served for several years as director of Boys State of Kentucky, an organization dedicated to the promotion of citizenship and leadership.

Dr. Garrett served as president of the Kentucky Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools in 1937-38 and was a member of the National Education Association, the Kentucky Education Association, Phi Delta Kappa Fraternity and Phi Kappa Phi Fraternity.

Since Dr. Garrett became Western's president in 1937, several major programs have been carried out by the college.

Construction of the Kentucky Building was completed in 1939, McLean Hall, dormitory for girls, a music building and a Student Union Building were erected, the interior of Van Meter Auditorium was completely remodeled and remodeling was started on Potter Hall, another dormitory.

Only recently, the school announced long-range plans were being made for a \$5,000,000 expansion program which would include two new dormitories, a science building, maintenance building, ROTC armory, a 10,000-seat field house and an enclosure for the swimming pool.



# President of Western, Dr. Paul L. Garrett, Dies

Widely Known Educator, Second President  
Of College, Had Served In Post Nearly 18 Years

Special to The Courier-Journal

Bowling Green, Ky., Feb. 28.—Dr. Paul L. Garrett, second president of Western Kentucky State College since it was founded in 1906, died at his campus home at 4 p.m. today.

He suffered a paralytic stroke in his office November 20, 1950. He was making rapid strides toward recovery when on May 1, 1954, he fell while strolling near his home and suffered a broken hip. He had been confined to his bed since that accident.

Dr. Garrett, 61, succeeded Dr. H. H. Cherry, the first president of Western, September 1, 1937. He was appointed to the post by Governor A. B. Chandler.

## 'Cruel and Heavy Blow'

In Frankfort, Governor Wetherby called Dr. Garrett's death a "cruel and heavy blow to the progress of higher education in Kentucky."

"Under his forceful leadership, Western Kentucky State College has become a prominent institution, even outside the borders of Kentucky. One of the bright stars of schooldom in Kentucky has fallen."

The Governor said Dr. Garrett was a close friend and that his visits to the State Capitol "were a source of pleasure and friendliness to all with whom he associated."

## Board To Name Successor

"I join his family, the Western student body, the faculty, and the alumni of this college in being deeply grieved by his departure."

Dr. Garrett's successor will be appointed by Western's board of regents.

Dr. Garrett was a native of Waddy, Shelby County. After completing high school in Shelby County, he received three degrees from Georgetown College, Georgetown, Ky. He then did graduate work at the University of Kentucky and the University of Chicago.

## Principal at Crittenden

His first school work was as principal of Crittenden High School. He was principal of Campbellsburg High School when called for service in World War I. He served overseas with the 325th Field Artillery Battalion.

He became principal of New Castle High School after returning from military service and held that position until 1924, when he became superintendent of the Versailles City schools.

It was there that he became acquainted with Chandler. Dr. Garrett was granted a leave of absence to accept an appointment



DR. PAUL L. GARRETT

by Chandler as State personnel director. He then was named head of the State college.

Dr. Garrett has been credited by educators with doing much to make the college rank among the leading ones of the state.

His interests were wide in other fields. He was director of the American Legion's Bluegrass Boys State. He was prominently connected with the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and in 1938 was president of the Kentucky Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

He was a member of Kentucky Education Association, National Education Association, Phi Delta Kappa Fraternity, and the Rotary and Filson clubs.

## Hobbies Included Fishing

His hobbies included fishing, particularly casting for bass, and reading English and history.

He was a lifelong Democrat and a member of First Baptist Church in Bowling Green.

Survivors are his wife, formerly Miss Virginia Ryland Ellis, New Castle, whom he married in 1921; two sons, Capt. Paul E. Garrett, with the Air Force in Westover, Mass., and Ryland Gray Garrett, Winchester; a sister, Miss Beryl Garrett, Bowling Green, and three grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements were delayed.

## Dr. Garrett's Death Leaves Kentucky Poorer

Both Western State College and Bowling Green feel a severe sense of loss due to the death of Dr. Paul L. Garrett, president of the local institution for the past 17½ years.

Dr. Garrett came to Bowling Green in 1937 to replace that titan of Kentucky education, the much revered Dr. H. H. Cherry, who founded Western in 1906 and whose foresight and energy had carried the school to a position of pre-eminence in the Commonwealth.

Replacing a man of such stature and so well beloved by the people of Bowling Green did not make Dr. Garrett's task any easier. But it did not take the new president long to win his own place in the hearts of the citizens of this community.

Possessed of a keen interest in literature and history as well as unusual sense of humor, Dr. Garrett was known and loved by most citizens of Bowling Green.

His administration at Western was marked by further development of the physical plant so well begun under the leadership of the late Dr. Cherry.

Left as tangible monuments to Dr. Garrett's service to the college are such structures as the new Student Union Building, McLean Hall and the Music Building. There also remains a legacy of faithful service and adherence to the high ideals which form the foundation on which Western was built.

Dr. Garrett was best known as an educator, having devoted practically all of his adult life to this cause. But his interest extended into other fields, and one project which claimed a major portion of his enthusiasm was Blue Grass Boys State, an American Legion project dedicated to the development of good citizenship among the youth of the state. Dr. Garrett served as director of this commendable program for several years.

Kentucky is a poorer state because of Dr. Garrett's death and his passing will be noted with regret in all sections of the Commonwealth.

We join with other citizens of Bowling Green and Dr. Garrett's friends throughout Kentucky in extending sympathy to the bereaved family.

# Rotary Club Honors Memory Of Late Paul L. Garrett

The Bowling Green Rotary Club yesterday memorialized Dr. Paul

Garrett, Western State College president who had been a member of the club for many years prior to his death last week.

The memorial took the form of a series of addresses by W. L. Matthews, president of the Bowling Green Business University, and Ted Arnback, athletic director at Western State, and the unanimous adoption of a statement presented to the club by Dr. J. L. Harman, past president of the B. U.

The statement said Dr. Garrett's death removed "one of the most full and interesting members the Bowling Green Rotary Club has had in its 35 years of life" and referred to the loss to Western and to edu-

cation in Kentucky occasioned by his passing.

A portion of the statement follows:

"Rollicking good humor was his charm.

"Winning friends without effort was his pastime.

"Reading widely the best literature was his daily habit. Few persons hereabout ever read more books than did he.

"Remembering what he read was inherent.

"Professional fairness a part of his nature and not a cultivated trait.

"Kindness one of his chief graces.

"Treating all persons alike was as uniform and natural as were his cheerful greetings.

"His body was like his mind; if

the one never primped to attract attention, the other never pretended to create an impression.

"Simplicity marked his movements whether on the lower road with the uneducated or on the higher road with the intellectuals.

"With few words he came to a point and with few words he reached a decision.

"His interest in small boys was as genuine as his interest in prominent adults.

"His memory of names was a perpetual wonder to those who knew him.

"His interests were as wide as his reading and his reading was uncommonly wide.

"Loyalty to the college over which he presided, loyalty to his

clubs and to all organizations and groups to which he belonged was constant and dependable, but never at the expense of a competitor or the humiliation of organizations not his.

"These were some of the characteristics that gave him prestige and a place in the hearts of his fellows, but honesty and fair dealings were the capstone of his life."

Guests at the meeting included N. C. Hancock, Russellville Rotarian; Dr. Kenneth Spalding, Rotarian from Wheeling, W. Va.; G. A. Willoughby, City; Clarence Greek and Clarence Short, both of Nashville, and Capt. Paul E. Garrett, who is with the Air Force in Massachusetts.

**Garrett Rites Held**—More than 1,500 persons paid a final tribute at Bowling Green to Dr. Paul L. Garrett, 61, who died in his 17th year as president of Western Kentucky State College. Among those attending the funeral, one of the largest and most widely attended ever held in that city, were representatives of numerous colleges and universities throughout Kentucky and Tennessee.

## Memorial Services For Dr. Garrett To Open Blue Grass Boys State

Special memorial services for Dr. Paul L. Garrett, late president of Western State College, will be held at Ft. Knox Sunday evening to inaugurate Blue Grass Boys State. E. Kelly Thompson, acting college president, who was Dr. Garrett's assistant for many years, will be the principal speaker at the ceremonies scheduled at 7:30 p.m. (CDT).

Dr. Garrett directed the annual week-long activities of the Blue Grass Boys State since its inception in the state in 1940. The event is sponsored by the State American Legion.

Dr. F. C. Grise, college dean, will accompany Thompson to the service and to Frankfort Monday to attend a meeting of a Council on Higher Education. Then Tuesday the two will attend conference on Moral and Spiritual Values in Higher Education, also at Frankfort.

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SCOTTSVILLE, KENTUCKY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 1955

## Funeral Held For Dr. Garrett, Western President

Dr. Paul L. Garrett, president of Western Kentucky State College, died at 4:00 p. m. Monday at his home there. Dr. Garrett suffered a paralytic stroke in his office November 20, 1950, but had been believed recovering until on May 1, 1954, he fell and suffered a hip fracture. He had been confined to his bed since that time.

Dr. Garrett, 61, was appointed to the college post by Governor A. B. "Happy" Chandler on September 1, 1937.

Dr. Garrett was a native of Waddy in Shelby County. He completed high school in Shelby. He then attended Georgetown College where he received three degrees, and later did graduate work at the University of Kentucky and the University of Chicago.

He was a former principal of Crittenden and Campbellsburg High Schools, leaving Campbellsburg for overseas service during World War I with the 325th Field Artillery Battalion. After his return from service he became principal of Castle High School until 1924 when he became Versailles City schools superintendent.

He was granted a leave of absence from Versailles to accept an appointment by Gov. Chandler as State personnel director, and was then selected by the governor to head the State college.

Other interests of Dr. Garrett included directorship of the American Legion's Bluegrass Boys State; a connection with the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the presidency in 1938 of the Kentucky Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. He was a member of the National and Kentucky Education Associations, the Rotary and Filson clubs, and Phi Delta Kappa Fraternity.

Dr. Garrett was a member of the First Baptist Church of Bowling Green. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Virginia Ellis Garrett; two sons, Capt. Paul E. Garrett, with the Air Force at Westover, Mass., and Ryland Gray Garrett, Winchester, Ky.; a sister, Miss Beryl Garrett, Bowling Green, and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were at 3:00 p.m. March 2 at the First Baptist Church, with the pastor, Rev. H. Franklin Paschall, officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery. Prior to the services, the body lay in state at Van Meter Auditorium, with a military honor guard provided by the Western military department. Eight students, representing the entire student body, served as active pallbearers.

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# Ruby's Report

Daily News

## Mrs. Garrett To Make Western Campus One of Most Beautiful;

## Golfing Women Forget Manners

By EARL RUBY, *Courier-Journal Sports Editor*

3-4-55

Paul Garrett, who died this week, made Western Kentucky College one of the best colleges of its kind. . . . Now Mrs. Garrett will endeavor to make it one of the most beautiful.

Mrs. Garrett is recognized far beyond the state as a horticulturist and a flower show judge. The thousands of brilliantly colored flowers in her yard on the campus have been an attraction for students, townspeople and tourists.

Now she will broaden her activity and try her green thumb on the whole Hill.

When Western went on a new budget system recently, money was allocated for an over-all campus improvement project. The object was to repair the great damage done trees, shrubs and flowers by three years of drought, and to make the campus one of the most beautiful in the country.

Mrs. Garrett has been asked to take charge of the giant landscaping project immediately and to carry it at least through its first full year of operation. She has consented to do this.

Her chief consultant will be Miss Elizabeth Wood, retired member of the faculty, who also is recognized widely for her knowledge of horticulture.

### Students to Help

Quite a bit of the work will be done by students, principally husky football and basketball players, who shared with President Garrett his great love of the school, and share with Mrs. Garret her desire to make it more beautiful.

Speaking of beauty, I can't recall ever having heard a choir or chorus sing more beautifully than Western's A cappella Choir at President Garrett's funeral Wednesday. . . . With Jeanette Rider of Warsaw doing solos and Robert Pearson directing, these singers will tour the state shortly. . . . Don't miss them, if you can help it. . . . Some TV station should grab them up for an appearance when they come to Louisville.



Mrs. Paul Garrett  
(Pictured at 1950 flower show)

## Western's Efficient Landscape Lady, Mrs. Garrett, Dies

C. M. T. 9/27/51

Mrs. Virginia Ellis Garrett, 62, widow of Dr. Paul L. Garrett, late president of Western died August 24 at the City-County Hospital.

Mrs. Garrett had been serving Western in the capacity of landscape architect. To her is credited the beautification project which may be seen on campus.

A native of Henry County, Mrs. Garrett was the daughter of the late Harvey and Antoinette Ryland Ellis. She was educated in New Castle city schools and later attended Hamilton College at Lexington.

She was married to Dr. Garrett in June 1921 at Eminence. They came to Bowling Green in 1937 when he accepted the presidency of Western.

She was a director of the Bowling Green Garden Club; chairman of judges of the American Daffodil Society; a member of the Samuel Davies Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution; a member of the XX Club and Kentucky Ornithological Society.

Survivors include two sons, Paul Ellis Garrett, McLean, Va., and Ryland Gray Garrett, South Fort Mitchell, and three grandchildren.

## Faculty Wives Pay Tribute To Mrs. Garrett

The Faculty Wives' Club of Western held a memorial meeting for Mrs. Paul L. Garrett September 14 in the Little Theater. During the meeting, it was decided that a memorial should be placed on the campus in commemoration of Mrs. Garrett.

The next meeting of the club is scheduled for September 28. The program will include a pot luck supper honoring the following new members: Mrs. Robert M. Ashby, Mrs. Clyde T. Bates, Mrs. E. W. Beck, Mrs. Emory S. Crosby, Mrs. Leon L. Czikowsky, Mrs. Fithian S. Faries, Mrs. Harold R. Hepler, Mrs. Carlton Jackson, Mrs. Herbert Leopold, Mrs. Joseph W. Morris, Mrs. Terry Otten, Mrs. William Parker, Mrs. Edward M. Self, Mrs. H. E. Shadowen, Mrs. R. L. Sleamaker, Mrs. William Stronks, Mrs. Hugh M. Thomason, Mrs. Robert K. White, and Mrs. Gordon Wilson, Jr.

WESTERN KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE  
BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY

August 29, 1961

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Billy Smith

Because of the passing of Mrs.  
Virginia Garrett, her name should be re-  
moved from the payroll, effective \_\_\_\_\_  
August 31, 1961 .



Kelly Thompson  
President

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WESTERN KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE  
BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

April 13, 1959

*Virginia E. Sarrett*

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MEMORANDUM TO: All Faculty and Administrative  
Staff Members, and Other Employees

Please fill in the information indicated  
below and return to the President.

*Kelly Thompson*

Kelly Thompson  
President

The date of my birth is -

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Virginia E. Sarrett  
Signature