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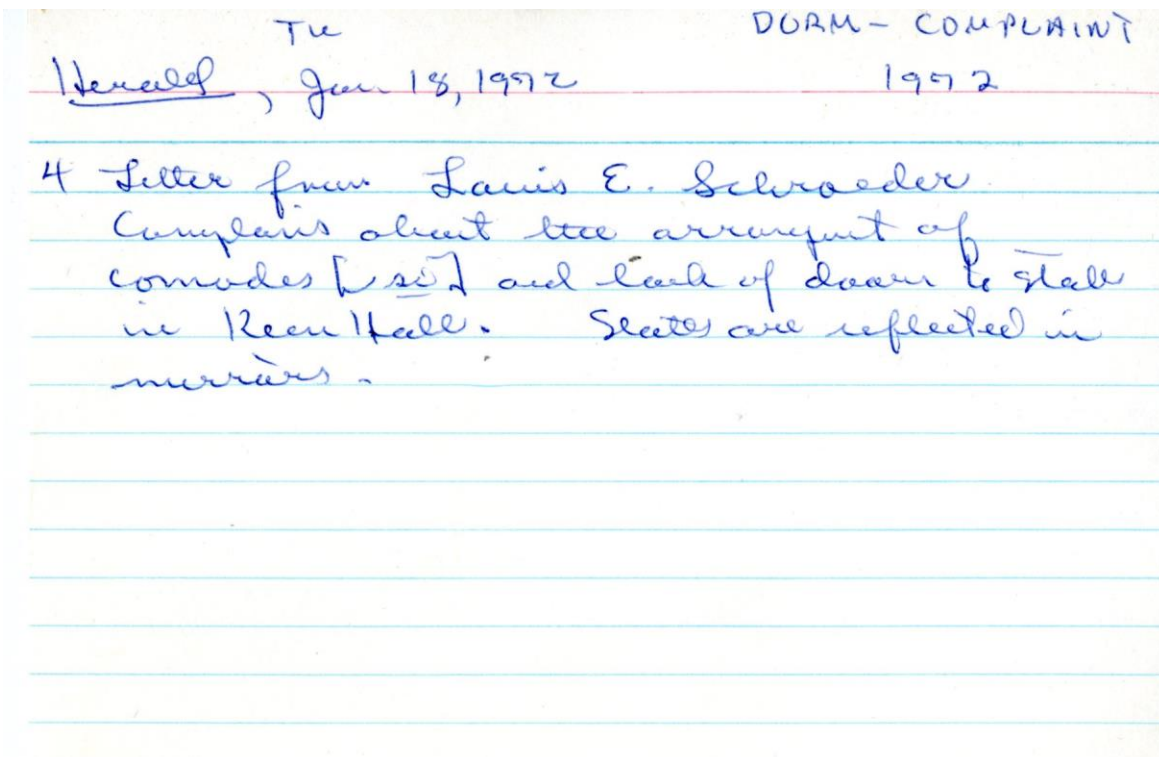
Description: Notecards created by Lowell Harrison while researching his book Western Kentucky University. The cards transcribed below are for 139 topics beginning with D ranging from Dad's Day to Duplication.

Each topic may represent a single card or multiple cards. Some topics have been split into decades.

A card has a source, a title and a date above the red line. Links to digitized source materials have been added in the database.

Additional information about the source may be included in the note section, such as name of correspondents, dates of correspondence or page numbers of newspapers and books.

Harrison's notes follow and occasionally a direct quote will be made indicated in quotation marks. Some of Harrison's writing is illegible. In these instances a word is indicated by ---.



The source above is the College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Jan. 18, 1972. Topic is in upper right corner Dorm-Complaint 1972. Additional information about the source follows: [page] 4

Harrison's Note: Letter from Louis E. Schroeder Complains about the arrangement of comodes [sic] and lack of doors to stall in Keen Hall. Stalls are reflected in mirrors.

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<p>WKU - Notecards - Dad's Day</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Sept. 27, 1935 - Dads' Day 1935 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3745 1 1st Dad's Day will be held at WKU on Oct. 5. WKU has had Mother's Day for 12 years</p> <p>Teachers College Heights, Dec. 1935 - Dad's Day 1935 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/1964/ 9 First Dad's Day was held Oct. 5, 1935</p> <p>Paul Garrett Papers: 10 - Dad's Day 1942 Mother's Day - Dad's Day Form letter - 8th Dad's Day will be on Saturday Oct. 17. Special Assembly; luncheon (\$.50); game with Morehead State University</p>	<p>1935-1942</p> <p>Fathers & children</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Daggitt Case</p> <p>Includes cards Daggett Case</p> <p>Park City Daily News, Sept. 28, 1949 - Daggitt Case 1947 George Melvin Daggitt, 35, was today (Wed.) taken into custody after being indicted on charge of being an accessory before the fact in the murder of Dr. C.B. Martin. George Daggitt resigned Sunday as head of the piano division of the Music department. Came after a 2nd confession by Harry Edward Kilgore (who said George Daggitt was his "soul mate"). Harry Kilgore had been sentenced to life for the slayings of Dr. & Mrs. Martin on June 30, 1948. Harry Kilgore said that was the master mind who plotted the crime. George Daggitt: "I have not comment to make. I think maybe I've talked too much already." Also: Harry Kilgore & George Daggitt are said to have extorted money and a car from Miss Olga Sitner, former violin instructor at WKU. Threatened to expose pictures alleged to have been taken in her apartment. She is said to have paid George Daggitt \$4,600 and given Harry Kilgore her 1946 Oldsmobile.</p> <p>Simpson Diary - Daggett Case Sept. 28, 1948 "a terrible scandal." George Daggett of Music Department's --- in the Harry Kilgore case. (Harry Kilgore killed dr. & wife). Harry Kilgore had picked him up once on way to club - his only real --- with him.</p> <p>Paul Garrett Papers: 9 - Daggitt Case 1949 V-1950 John Vincent, UCLA to Paul Garrett, Nov. 23, 1949 - Says he engaged George Daggitt as temporary replacement, but Henderson didn't return so George Daggitt stayed on. "Although I believe he was maladjusted and that he was definitely queer in some respects, I never suspected any criminal tendency and even now I hope that he can be cleared of actual participation in the murder. There seem to be too many witnesses to his involvement in the extortion matter and probably he is guilty of this."</p> <p>Park City Daily News, 4/3/1951 - Daggitt Case 1951 George Daggitt said he was "happy about the dismissal of the charges, but I'm not in the least surprised." Appellate Court reversed George Daggitt's 11 year sentence, accessory to murder of Dr. & Mrs. C.B. Martin in June 1948 Commonwealth Attorney J.T. Orendorf disagreed with reversal but moved that the charge be dropped. George Daggitt was implicated in the murder by Harry Edward Kilgore, who received two life sentences.</p>	<p>1947-1951</p> <p>Crimes Criminals Extortion Murder</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dairy</p> <p>Includes cards Dairy Sales</p> <p>Regents Minutes I, Nov. 19, 1920 - Dairy 1920 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1920/mtgs/3/ Mr. M.C. Ford is making farm productive. Will need to borrow money to purchase 12 blooded Holsteins. The dairy barn is completed. The little chapter house between barracks & Recitation Hall will be made into a creamery. Milk will be sold to the dining hall.</p> <p>Normal Heights, April 1922 - Dairy 1922 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4072/ 8 Picture of herd of Holsteins that came from Wisconsin to the farm.</p> <p>Business Office: Bursar Box 25 - Dairy 1922</p>	<p>1920-1979</p> <p>Dairy farming Dairy products Dairy products industry Dairying Cattle Cows Swine Beef cattle</p>

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Business Office, Farm Reports, 1920-1948

Memo (unsigned) - In Dec. 1922 Henry Cherry, J.R. Alexander, M.C. Ford & C.A. Loudermilk made a note for \$2400 to purchase pure-bred cows for the school. No other funds were available. Bought 7. Two died - insured at \$600. Now (no date) 5 cows, 2 heifers 1 year old, 3 bull calves, 1 pure-bred heifer. Figures profit to date of \$800. This herd is essential as the grade cows are getting old. Better herd is required for instructional purposes.

Teachers College Heights, July 1931 - Dairy 1931 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/8463/

7 the old dairy barn on campus has been town down. A new stock pavilion will be erected near poultry plant. Picture shows that work is underway on the pavilion.

Paul Garrett Papers: 5 - Dairy 1940+
Farm 1940-1944

1940-41
Milk sold - 7863.39
Dairy animal(?) sold 841.23
Total 8704.62

1941-42
Milk sold 10,069.11
Dairy animal(?) sold 1,379.04
Total 11,448.15

1942-43
Milk sold 11,201.36
Dairy animal(?) sold 2,080.72
Total 13,281.72

1943-44
Milk sold 17,515.89
Dairy animal(?) sold 994.45
Total 18,510.34

1938 29 Jersey cows, 13 Holstein cows
1943 62 Jersey cows (25% improved production), 48 Holstein cows (33% improved production)

College Heights Herald, Dec. 8, 1944 - Dairy [Dairy] 1944 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4514

4 Modern dairy barn is being constructed on the college farm about 5 miles south of Bowling Green. Should be ready by Jan. 1

March 2, 1945 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4520

1 Story & picture of the new barn. Gives considerable detail. D.B.C. Cole is supervisor. C.A. Harrison, herdsman for 15 years, will continue in that position.

A.B. Chandler Papers Box 427 - Dairy Sales 1956

Kelly Thompson to Mr. Charles Byrley, Director Division of Purchases, Sep. 29, 1956 - For years WKU has sold raw milk from dairy at market price to Brown Ice Cream Company, then bought it back at agreed upon rate after it has been processed. Gives prices. Wants to know if this procedure is legal & if not, what procedure should be followed.

News Release, July 29, 1976 - Dairy 1976 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/915/

2 cows from WKU's Holstein herd have been rated among the top 5 in the nation for 1975. They were 3rd & 5th, based on amount of milk & butter fat produced. The herd was ranked 1st in nation for its size bracket. It was 1st in Kentucky. One of few top herds operated by a college. Overall, 30th in all herds.

C Dunkerron Leader Inka - 3rd
Hoosier-Acres Rosafe Alicia - 5th

College Heights Herald, Aug. 24, 1976 - Dairy 1976 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5318

B19 WKU's 100 cow Holstein herd has been ranked top in nation in its size bracket. 2 cows ranked 3rd & 5th in nation in 1975 for milk production.

Western Alumnus 47:1, Fall 1976 - Dairy 1976

4 Two Holsteins, "Inka" & "Alicia" for short, rank about top 5 Holstein dairy cows in the nation. 100 cow herd ranks 1st in nation in its size range.
5 800 acre farm south of town

Also: Angus beef cattle; polled Hereford beef cattle; Yorkshire hogs

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<p>Regents Minutes, July 14, 1979 - Dairy 1979 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1979/mtgs/3/ By herd size, WKU's dairy herd ranks 1st in Kentucky and 2nd in nation in terms of production.</p> <p>Agriculture (WKU)</p>	
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dairy Barn</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: 59 - Dairy Barn 1944 Special Correspondence, L. T. Smith 1943 L. T. Smith to N.C. Farringer, Winslow, Arizona, April 17, 1944 - Expects to start work on the dairy barn as soon as weather permits. Anxious to have him here to work on it.</p> <p>Agriculture (WKU)</p>	<p>1944</p> <p>Dairy farming Dairying Barns Construction</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dairy Judging</p> <p>Includes cards: Dairy Team</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Dec. 9, 1960 - Dairy Judging 1960 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4641 1 WKU's dairy judging team last week won more 1st places than any other team in the International Collegiate Dairy Cattle Judging Contest in Chicago. Coach Billy Adams. Teams (3) won 1st in Ayrshire & Guernsey. Billy Joe Miles won 2 individual firsts. Team was 2n in milking shorthorns, 5th in Jersey division.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, May 16, 1962 - Dairy Judging 1962 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2177 1 WKU's cattle judging teams placed 1st & 3rd in 32nd Annual Dairy Judging Contest. 166 teams from 39 states & 2 foreign countries were entered. 1st time that a non-land grant college had ever won.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Oct. 3, 1962 - Dairy Judging 1962 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/8485 3 WKU's Dairy Judging team won team & individual honors at Mid-South Fair in Memphis. 1st Jersey, 2nd Guernsey, 3rd Holstein, 2nd awards</p> <p>Western Alumnus 48:5 Winter 1977-78 - Dairy Team 1977 27 The WKU team of 4 won 1st place in intercollegiate dairy cattle judging contest in Madison, Wisconsin. There were 38 teams.</p> <p>Agriculture (WKU)</p>	<p>1960-1977</p> <p>Dairy farming Dairying Cattle Cows</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Damage: Weather</p> <p>College Heights Herald, 1/12/1984 - Damage: Weather 1983 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5884/ Electric power went off in Bowling Green around 4:15 a.m. Christmas Day and was off about 8 hours. About \$250,000 damages done on campus. About 90% repairs have been made. About 200 physical plant workers came back from vacation. Many worked 18 hours per day. Some private contractors were hired. Not sure how much insurance will help - students' belongings are not covered. High rise dorms were most badly hit. All plants killed in greenhouse.</p>	<p>1983</p> <p>Weather Electric power failures Electricity</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dancers</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Oct. 21, 1938 - Dancers 1938 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3802 1 Ted Shawn and his dancers will present program at WKU on Nov. 30.</p>	<p>1938</p> <p>Dance Dancers</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dances</p> <p>Includes cards: Dance Dance - Talisman Dances - Gym Dancing</p> <p>First Baptist Church - Dancing 1920 The Silver Trumpet (in Folder 1H) 3 "The dance recently given under the patronage of the Western Kentucky Normal school, furnishes us with two things: First, a very great surprise; second, a conviction that the school is launching a policy contrary to the wishes of the vast majority of its constituents. Most of the students at the Normal come from old</p>	<p>1920-1968</p> <p>Dance Dance parties Entertainment Social life</p>

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fashioned christian [sic] homes, and dances will not enhance the popularity of the school among its patrons. "We have been told that there was one dancing exhibition in Katacha-Koo, which was the limit in scanty female attire. Yet it was all in the name of sweet charity! Let us have done with gambling, as at the county fair, and with dancing, or take down the sign of the cross."

Henry Cherry Papers: Box 3 - Dancing 1920
General Correspondence 1920
Charles L. Greaves, Pastor 1st Baptist Church to Henry Cherry, Jan. 28, 1920 - Understands Henry Cherry is a bit peeved(?) because of note in church bulletin about WKU sponsoring a dance. Intends to put this in the next one: "We have positive assurance that the students' dance referred to in our last issue was not under the patronage of the Normal School. Had it not been promoted by Normal students, chaperoned by some Normal teachers, and been written up in local papers as a students' ball we would not have made our very natural mistake. We are glad to have information that the faculty as a whole has no intention to endorse or encourage such affairs."

Henry Cherry Papers: 12 - Dancing 1927
General Correspondence 1927
Henry Cherry to Harris Cook(?), West Texas State Teachers College, Nov. 15, 1927 - We do not have regular college dances, but such latitude is given girls in the dorm, ". . . but we have never recognized dancing in the institution." This has been satisfactory, "however, we are arriving at the conclusion that we owe it to the young people and that it will be more affective to recognize regulated dancing."

Henry Cherry Papers: 18 - Dancing 1931
General Correspondence 1931
Mattie McLean to Pres. H.T. Hunter, Western Carolina Teachers College, Cullowhee, NC, Nov. 21, 1931 - Says it is not the practice at WKU for "young men and young women to dance together."

Henry Cherry Papers: 21 - Dance 1935
General Correspondence 1935
Mattie McLean to Dr. Billings, Dec. 5, 1935 - ROTC has made reservation for a dance on night of Dec. 17. But there is also a reservation for Dec. 13.

College Heights Herald, Oct. 25, 1940 - Dances - Gym 1940 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3836
9 Gym dances are proving popular. Over 300 attended one last Saturday night. Sponsored by the Dance Committee. Ray Holmes' band.

Henry Cherry Papers: 58 - Dances 1942
Special Correspondence McClanahan
Susie West McClanahan, West Hall Social Director W.E. Colley, Nashville, Oct. 22, 1942 - (And many other exact letters). She has received & filed your permission for your daughter to attend "off campus" dances. We require that some faculty member be present, unless it is at Bowling Green Business University

College Heights Herald, Nov. 3, 1966 - Dances 1966 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4698
4 Homecoming Dance was sold out (600 tickets) before week-end began. Diddle Arena is not good for dances. Needs a larger ballroom, but this doesn't seem likely in near future. May need to hold 2 dances at same time.

College Heights Herald, Monday, April 29, 1968 - Dance: Talisman 1968
4 Talisman Ball will not be held this year. Replaced by "Miss Western Pageant" held earlier this year.

<p>WKU - Notecards - Danforth</p> <p>News From Western 25A0480 - Danforth 1980 Wayne Lanham, 26, Somerset, is 1st WKU student to receive Danforth Foundation Graduate Fellowship. Majors in English & French. Will study medieval English literature at Columbia University.</p>	<p>1980</p> <p>Students</p>
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<p>WKU - Notecards - Davis, Brinton Beauregard 1862-1952</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers - 29 - Davis, Brinton B. 1935 Special Correspondence Progress Works Administration Several lettes. Brinton Davis gets rather unhappy because his fee hasn't been paid.</p> <p>Brinton Davis to Henry Cherry, Sept. 24, 1935 - Says in our 4 minute conversation yesterday you asked me not to write you again regarding my fee. Surprised at your stand. So, wants to meet with Board of Regents & explain it to them.</p> <p>Henry Cherry to Brinton Davis, Nov. 12, 1935 - Content of June 25 called for 1% to be paid by college if no federal loan is secured. You apparently think this is the case; I do not. I think project over budget. Would you agree to withdrawing completely from the matter if our Board can find way of paying you? Then if & when we</p>	<p>1935</p> <p>Architects Construction</p>
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get the loan, we would be at liberty to select any architect they please to carry on the work? (No reply here, but loan is approved in Dec. & Brinton Davis continues.)	
<p>WKU - Notecards - Davis, James</p> <p>Regents Minutes, Oct. 29, 1977 - Davis, James L. 1977 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1977/mtgs/4/ Named Dr. James Davis Vice President for Academic Affairs. Salary \$37,260</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Nov. 1, 1977 - Davis, James 1977 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5461 1 Regents last Saturday appointed Dr. James L. Davis as Vice President for Academic Affairs</p> <p>Nov. 3 [1977] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5460 4 Editorial: Endorses James Davis for the post. Can't understand why the school went through the motions of a search. "Davis' appointment was a foregone conclusion from the moment [Raymond] Cravens announced his sabbatical in the spring of 1976." "We wish him luck as he tries to keep this university in good academic shape."</p> <p>Western Alumnus 48:6 Spring 1978 - Davis, James 1978 1 Vice President for Academic Affairs 2 "My goal is to offer the highest academic programs that this university can possibly provide to the students that we have enrolled." Appointed Vice President Oct. 29, 1977. Marshall College BA & MA. PhD Northwestern 1964. Is optimistic about WKU's future. Authority on transportation, expects to go back to teaching & research some day. Is now teaching 1 class.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, 12/1/1983 - Davis, James Resigns 1983 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5860 After 8 years as Vice President, James Davis announced Tuesday that he was resigning effective summer 1984, to return to teaching and writing. Said purely coincidence that it came day after Jimmy Feix resigned. Donald Zacharias said search committee would be formed next week. James Davis said that when he became interim vice president in 1976 (full 1977) he was only one from WKU to apply. Said most important developments during his 8 years was improvement of faculty & student academics. "We have the best-qualified and most productive faculty in the 20 years I've been at Western, and probably in the history of the school." Journalism, business, etc. were accredited. Phi Kappa Phi - started chapter here. Worst period were the 3 budget cuts in 1980-1982 when 16 non-tenured faculty members were let go & some 25 other positions across the campus. Increased(?) state & federal demands have greatly increased the burden of paper work. Says he has no aspirations for other administrative posts. Present salary of \$56,340 will be reduced by 25% - a university policy for administrators who return to the classroom.</p>	<p>1977-1983</p> <p>Education</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Day Care Center</p> <p>College Heights Herald, 1/26/1984 - Day Care Center 1984 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5880 Associated Student Government is proposing the establishment on or near campus of a day care center by next semester. Vote expected next week. Says once started that \$15 per week would be enough to run it. Says students could earn class credit working there. Says 60% of children should belong to students, 40% to faculty.</p>	<p>1984</p> <p>Day care</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Day, Charlotta 1881-1961 aka Lotta</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: 57 - Day, Lotta Special Correspondence - Alexander - Ford (1921-1943) Large folders of her correspondence, all of it routine. She was very active in placing home economics graduates. She is very active professionally.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, March 31, 1961 - Day, Lotta Dies 1961 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4650 1 Miss Lotta day, retired head of Home Economics, died Feb. 27, 1961 in Bedford, Indiana.</p>	<p>1921-1961</p> <p>Teachers Death</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dean</p> <p>Includes cards: Dean of College Deanship</p> <p>Regents Minutes Nov. 3, 1922 - Dean 1922 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1922/mtgs/1/ Dean A.J. Kinnaman appeared before Board and resigned. After lunch, Board called in Dr. G.C. Gamble and informed him he had been elected Dean.</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: Box 4 - Dean 1922 General Correspondence 1922 Henry Cherry to Dr. F.E. Cochran, Jackson College, Marion, Alabama, Nov. 14, 1922 (Can't afford to employ him(?)). - Dr. G.C. Gamble has just replaced Dr. A.J.</p>	<p>1922-1964</p> <p>Education</p>

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Kinnaman as dean. The letter requested that he be relieved of the administrative responsibilities.

Henry Cherry Papers: Box 8 - Deanship 1925
General Correspondence 1925
Henry Cherry to Jesse E. Adams, Franklin College, Indiana, June 19, 1925 - Dean G.C. Gamble left us two or three weeks ago, but the position has been filled. Sorry to lose G.C. Gamble - "for he was in every way a very capable man, most effective and faithful in the discharge of his duties."

Kelly Thompson Papers: 18 - Deanship 1958
Correspondence - General
Raymond C. Gibson, Professor of Higher Education, Indiana University to Kelly Thompson, Oct. 30, 1958 - After careful consideration, he has decided to remain at Indiana University and not accept the deanship at WKU.

Feb. 13, 1959 - Raymond Gibson repeats his refusal after more consideration.

Kelly Thompson Papers: 16 - Dean of College 1959
Dean - Grise, Finley
Dean Finley Grise to Kelly Thompson, March 31, 1959 - During years as dean he has made outline of functions(?) & of needed qualifications. Encloses the lists for Kelly Thompson's information.

(Someone has checked off a number of items. Was it used as a checklist for Raymond Cravens? Perhaps for not not checked were: Experience in teaching in public schools; Experience in public school administration; some college administration experience 1st; good understanding of problems of teacher education at all levels.)

Kelly Thompson Papers: 16 - Dean of College 1961
Dean - Cravens, Raymond
Memo: Raymond Cravens to Kelly Thompson, May 10, 1961 - Includes memo from Elsie Dotson to Kelly Thompson, Jan. 25, 1961. She has been working in Dean's Office until her teaching assignment began. Enabled her to become acquainted with Raymond Cravens, Dero Downing, Tate Page, Hall. Has "given me a deep respect for the dedication that each of them has for Western, their fervor is indeed of the contagious sort." Also, "friendliness and willingness to go that extra step" to help me. My perspective of problem & solutions was greatly broadened. Graduate program has just grown up like topsy. She has attached memo that calls an Assistant to the Dean who could devote ½ time to the graduate program. The other ½ should relieve dean of such things as class excuses, drop-adds, approving degree programs, that would give Dean time to work on more important matters.

Raymond Cravens to Kelly Thompson - Believes Dr. Elsie Dotson's suggestion has great merit. Feels that an assistant could handle routine duties & give Raymond Cravens more time "to perform better my principal tasks." Suggests 1 of 3 plans:
1) Half time position for administrative assistant to dean. Teach other half.
2) Dr. William Hourigan become dean's assistant for student personnel(?). After a year, his load would have to be reduced.
3) \$1500 be authorized to hire graduate student help.

For Your Information From the President, July 30, 1964 - Dean 1964 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/1620/
At July 21 Regents meeting title of "Dean of the College" was changed to "Dean of the Faculty."

<p>WKU - Notecards - Dean of Business Affairs</p> <p>Regents Minutes, Feb. 26, 1964 - Dean of Business Affairs - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1964/qtrly/2/ Kelly Thompson reports on reorganization of Business Office after careful study to meet growing needs of the institution. Office --- of Dean of Business Affairs. Recommended Dero Downing - "eminently qualified," position almost parallel in important to Dean of the College. Unanimous. Dero Downing was then elected Treasurer to replace Miss Georgia Bates. Then Charles Zettlemoyer and Harry Largen were employed as Staff Business Officers.</p>	<p>1964 Education</p>
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<p>WKU - Notecards - Dean of Men</p> <p>Paul Garrett Papers: 2B - Dean of Men 1938 1937-40 Th-Tz Paul Garrett to Fred. H. Turner, Urbana, Ill., Oct. 12, 1938 - "We do not have a dean of men. Such work as is done in that field, and I must confess, it is not a great deal, is cared for through the office of the Director of Personnel and Placement. Much of the work pertaining to excuses, discipline, and the like is taken care of by the dean of the college."</p> <p>Kelly Thompson Papers: 10 - Dean of Men 1957 Administration Applications 1956-1962 Kelly Thompson to Joe Howard, Louisville, April 30, 1957 - For 1st time, WKU has a Dean of Men. Charles Keown is "doing a magnificent job." Wil lhave a Dean of</p>	<p>1938-1957 Education</p>
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<p>Women some day but doesn't know when.</p> <p>WKU - Notecards - Dean of Students</p> <p>Courier-Journal, July 6, 1956 - Dean of Students Kelly Thompson announced (July 5) appointment of Charles A. Keown as WKU's first Dean of Students. Effective Sept. 1. (Charles Keown was 31).</p> <p>Courier-Journal 7/6/1956 - Dean of Students, 1956 Charles A. Keown has been named WKU's first Dean of Students, effective Sept. 1. Is member of agriculture department. He is 31. He will also be Secretary of the Alumni Association.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, July 13, 1956 - Dean of Students - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2919/ 1 Charles A. Keown, 31, will become Dean of Students on Sept. 1. He has been member of Agriculture Department for 6 years.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, July 3, 1959 - Dean of Students 1959 1 Judith Anne Moore has been appointed assistant dean of students and director of McLean Hall. She is 1958 graduate of WKU. Got MA in June 1959 from Peabody.</p>	<p>1956-1959</p> <p>Education</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dean of Women</p> <p>Courier-Journal, May 30, 1960 - Dean of Women 1960 Miss Judith Anne Moore will become WKU's Dean of Women, a new position, on June 13. Graduated from WKU in 1958, has MA from Peabody, 1959. Will continue as director of McLean Hall.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, July 1, 1960 - Dean of Women 1960 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4637 1 Miss Judy Moore has been promoted to dean of women.</p> <p>Regents Minutes, June 1, 1965 - Dean of Women 1965 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1965/qtrly/4/ Mrs. Mary Burt, Acting Dean of Women, was made Dean of Women.</p>	<p>1960-1965</p> <p>Education Women</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dean: College of Business</p> <p>Dero Downing Papers: 25 - Dean: College of Business (William Jenkins?) Public Service Institute Joe Uveges give President John Minton a "Prospectus: Public Service Program at WKU" about Feb. 5-6, 1979 14 pages. Joe Uveges deals chiefly with neglect of the Public Service Institute, which was created in 1973 by Dr. William Jenkins. About 1973-1978 "The Dean was viewed by many as operating in an arbitrary fashion, especially in regard to the establishment of a Legal Area Studies unit and the creation of the PSI. In both instances he apparently did not consult with or seek the advice of the Department Heads. As a result many of the Heads and their respective faculty believed that the PSI assumed a role which had not been discussed, reviewed, or approved . . . the Institute's academic role was not acceptable to a significant number of the College faculty and departments." Personal jealousies --- at Dean & Director were also factors. Considerable foundation to these perceptions of the Dean. Dean selected a Director who simply wasn't qualified - "easy-going in manner and a long-time colleague of the Dean." (Vernon Martin). 7 "Most observers now agree that it was evident during the last several years of his tenure, that the Dean was increasingly unable to 'sell' his program or approach to public service to others higher in the University hierarchy." . . . "Thus, in effect, the Dean was besieged within his own College and could not count on the necessary support for his programs from others outside his College." 8 " . . . the history of the PSI reflects the result of poor planning, direction and leadership at all levels of the University." 9 Now under Department of Government & its head rejects efforts to improve it.</p>	<p>1979</p> <p>Education</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dean: Education</p> <p>Regents Minutes, May 18, 1973 - Dean: Education 1973 Dean Tate C. Page is resigning at end of current year. Is leaving deanship in compliance with University policy; does not seek re-assignment within the college.</p> <p>June 9, 1973 Special Meeting - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1973/spcl/1/ J.T. Sandefur appointed. Elmer Gray's made acting dean of graduate college.</p>	<p>1973</p> <p>Education</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dean: Ogden College</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Feb. 19, 1980 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5609 7 Dr. Elmer Gray, chairman of the search committee, said about 40 applications have been received thus far for Dean of Ogden College. Deadline is March 15.</p>	<p>1980</p> <p>Education</p>

Title Description	Date Subjects
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College Heights Herald, Thursday, April 3, 1980 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5633
 6 Search committee has narrowed list to 10 and invited top 5 to visit the campus within the next 3 weeks. Only Dr. William G. Lloyd among them has any previous tie with WKU.

WKU - Notecards - Dean: Potter College

1973-1974

Regents Minutes, May 18, 1973 - Dean: Potter College 1973
 Accepted request of Dean Paul G. Hatcher to be re-assigned in department & to cooredinate areas of foreign students.

Education

June 9, 1973 special meeting - <https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1973/spcl/1/>
 Accepted. Dr. Robert Mounce is made acting dean.

Courier-Journal, April 29, 1974 - Dean, Potter College 1974
 Regents yesterday appointed Dr. Robert Mounce dean of Potter College of Arts and Humanities. He joined faculty in 1967.

WKU - Notecards - Deans

1956-1974

Includes cards:
 Deans Appointed
 Deans Sought

Education

Talisman 1956 - Deans - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/371/
 46 Dr. A.J. Kinnaman 1906-1923
 Dr. G.C. Gamble 1923-1925
 Dr. A.L. Crabb 1925-1927
 Dr. Finley Grise 1927-

Regents Minutes, June 1, 1965 - Deans Appointed 1965 - <https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1965/qtrly/4/>
 Marvin W. Russell - Dean of Ogden College of Science & Technology. To continue as Physics head.
 Paul G. Hatcher - Dean of Potter College of Liberal Arts. Continue as head of Foreign Languages.
 Tate C. Page - Dean of College of Education
 Also: set up departments etc. in College of Education
 (William Jenkins - College of Commerce & John Minton - Dean of Graduate School)

College Heights Herald, Thursday, July 1, 1965 - Deans 1965 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3876
 1 On June 1 Regents approved 3 new colleges & appointed 3 deans:
 Education - Dr. Tate Page
 Ogden - Dr. Marvin Russell
 Potter - Dr. Paul Hatcher
 8 New Department of Sociology - Dr. John Watson
 Extension & field services - Dr. Charles Clark
 Summer School & Community College - Dr. John Scarborough
 Testing & Counseling Service - Dr. John Lane
 Military Science, Nursing, Library Science, Testing & Counseling Service - have been grouped under direction of Associate Dean for Undergraduate Instruction - William Hourigan.
 Howard Carpenter is now head of Music.
 Gordon Wilson, Jr. head of Chemistry
 Sara Tyler - new director of Library Services
 Mary Burt - Dean of Women
 Ted Hornback - Director of Athletics
 Ronnie Sutton - Director of Admissions
 Paul Cook - staff assistant to Raymond Cravens

College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Feb. 26, 1974 - Deans Sought 1974 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3525
 1 Search is underway for dean of Potter College and the Graduate College. Paul Hatcher and J.T. Sandefur left their posts in June 1973. Robert Mounce and Elmer Gray are acting deans. At end of last week, 76 applications for Potter College. Robert Mounce & one other faculty member have accepted nominations

College Heights Herald, Tuesday, April 30, 1974 - Deans 1974 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3541

Title Description	Date Subjects
<p>1 Regents approved Robert Mounce & Elmer Gray as deans of Potter & Graduate colleges at meeting last Saturday.</p> <p>Informational Notes (President) - Deans 1974 May 7, 1974 Regents' meeting April 27, 1974 - Dr. Elmer Gray - Graduate Dean; Dr. Robert Mounce - Potter College Dean</p> <p>Western Alumnus 44:1 Summer 1974 - Deans Appointed 1974 28 At April 27 meeting Regents appointed Dr. Elmer Gray dean of Graduate College and Dr. Robert Mounce dean of Potter College. Each has been acting dean since last June (1973). Brief biographies of each one.</p>	
<p>WKU - Notecards - Deans: Administration</p> <p>Bowling Green Daily News, Aug. 4, 1966 - Deans: Administration Regents today created 2 new administrative deanships. Charles A. Keown was named Dean of Student Affairs (at WKU since 1949). Robert G. Cochran - Dean of Public Affairs & Public Relations (1948+) Miss Georgia Bates - named assistant to the president. (WKU 1956, secretary to President 1958).</p>	<p>1966</p> <p>Education</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Deaths: Faculty</p> <p>College Heights Herald, June 21, 1980 - Deaths: Faculty 1980 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5623 12 Dr. L. Y. Lancaster died May 15, 1980. Retired in 1960 after 37 years at WKU. Dr. Glenn Dooley, chemistry, died May 29. He retired in 1970 after 28 years at WKU.</p>	<p>1980</p> <p>Death Teachers</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Debating</p> <p>Includes cards: Debate Ohio Valley Conference Debate Team Debates Debating Team - Women</p> <p>College Heights Herald, 1/28/1926 - Debates 1926 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2238/ 1 Debates for men scheduled with Middle Tennessee State University & Berea College. Women will debate Berea College & Georgetown. Contests held in chapel on Jan. 20-21 to select member of teams.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Jan. 1928 - Debating Team - Women 1928 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2255/ 1 Jan. 9, 1928 was tryout for women's debating team, under direction of Registrar E.H. Canon. Maryville College, Tennessee, recently challenged WKU to debate protective tariff. 3 were selected among 13 who gave talks. Boys team was selected after tryouts last November. Will hold triangle meet with Berea College & Asbury College on Feb. 20.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Feb. 1930 - Debate Team - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2273/ 1 There will not be an intracollegiate debate team this year, English Department has announced. Women's debate club recently dissolved, but the Congress Debating Club is growing. May have a faculty member next year to direct work in this area.</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: 57 - Debating 1931 Special Correspondence - J.P. Cornette J.P. Cornette to L.J. Horton, Debate Coach, Murray State University, Jan. 24, 1931 - J.P. Cornette says he has just been appointed debate coach. WKU has not been active in debating for several years. He may be able to schedule a debate with you by late March. (But in 1936 there are several letters saying much the same thing. Did it lapse?)</p> <p>J.P. Cornette to John F. Chalmers, University of Dayton, Jan. 31, 1939 - Sorry WKU doesn't have a debate team this year. (None in 1938 either).</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Feb. 7, 1936 - Debate Team 1936 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3748 1 WKU will have debate team this year for 1st time in over 7 years. James Cornette, English Department instructor will coach it.</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: 59 - Debating 1936 Special Correspondence J. Reid Sterrett 1931-1936 J. Reid Sterrett to W.A. Sutherland, University of Kentucky, Feb. 27, 1936 - WKU will host Kentucky Intercollegiate Oratorical Association on March 7 (Saturday). WKU has not have any women representatives. We do not favor a separate contest for women.</p>	<p>1926-1977</p> <p>Debates Debates and debating</p>

Title Description	Date Subjects
<p>Reid Sterrett to Prof. I.M. Cochran, Northfield, Minn., March 25, 1937 - Yes, Kentucky did hold a woman's oratorical contest. It was won by a young lady from Berea College.</p>	
<p>Reid Sterrett to I.M. Cochran, March 17, 1937 - WKU student Norris Vincent won state oratorical contest at University of Kentucky on March 6.</p>	
<p>Henry Cherry Papers: 59 - Debating 1936 Special Correspondence - Louis Salomon Louis B. Salomon to Director of Debate, Berea College, Nov. 30, 1936 (and several other letters). - Louis Salomon has become Director of Debate and is writing of organize a debate schedule.</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, Jan. 12, 1951 - Debate 1951 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2844/ 1 Intercollegiate debate competition is being resumed. WKU will meet Murray State University on Feb. 12. Faculty sponsor is Russell Miller; Congress Debating Club is the sponsoring organization.</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, Friday, Feb. 8, 1952 - Debate Team 1952 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2856/ 1 Debate team of Raymond Cravens and William Bivin defeated University of Louisville. WKU's negative team of David Mefford and Thomas Pogue also won from the University of Louisville team.</p>	
<p>Raymond Cravens Interview, 11/20/1984 - Debating Team 1953+ - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/1983 Came back after 2 years in Air Force to get masters degree. Had decided by then he wanted to be college teacher. Summer 1953. Asked to help with debating teams (Russell Miller was on leave). Dr. Moore - plays. Raymond Cravens could debate in College High while practice teaching. Went to state tournament. Got travel money (gas, not mileage) from Kelly Thompson. Had a successful year.</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, April 21, 1965 - Debating 1965 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3867 7 early debates: Kit Kat Society & the Pyrieian Society. 1919 Congress Debating Club. World War II was s---. Late 1940s "a dynamic student led a drive to bring back debate to Western" - Raymond Cravens. He got start in intercollegiate debate. He coached team as graduate assistant. 1963 - WKU awarded debate scholarships (only 1 other school in state does so.)</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, Thursday, May 1, 1969 - Debate Team 1969 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2108/ 1 Debate team of John Lyne, Bowling Green and Steve Loyal (Owensboro) tied for 1st place in New York University's Spring Forensic Festival - 88 colleges. They had 5-0 record. Lyne had 4th in extemporaneous speaking.</p>	
<p>Dero Downing Papers: 4 - Debate 1973 Speech & Theatre Department 1973 Bowling Green Daily News, 11/25/1973 - WKU will host the 1st Ohio Valley Conference Debate Tournament on Friday & Saturday. 8 schools will be included. Creator of tournament is Bill Davis, WKU's debate coach.</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, Nov. 22, 1977 - Debate: Ohio Valley Conference - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5476 7 The forensic team won 1st place in Ohio Valley Conference debate tournament. 1st tournament WKU has won this year.</p>	
<p>Forensics Team (WKU)</p>	

WKU - Notecards - Debt

Includes cards:
Debt, Bonded
Debt: Bonds
Debt Payment
Debt, Service
Debt - Western
Debts
Indebtedness
Payment of Indebtedness

Henry Cherry Papers: Box 1 - Debts 1906
General Letters: 1903-05
Several letters in this folder concern debts that are still owed the school.

1906-1979

Debt
Business & finance

Title Description	Date Subjects
<i>W.P. Kincehloe, Central City to Henry Cherry, Oct. 27, 1905. He hasn't been able to pay anything because he has such a low paying job in the bank. Expects to get increase 1st of year and should be able to start paying then. Will be glad to pay interest then.</i>	
<i>House Journal, Jan. 18, 1912 - Payment of Debts 1912 275 HB225 An act appropriating money for the payment of debts incurred for necessary buildings, and equipment and for expansion of work, and providing additional revenues for the maintenance of said institutions for education. To Committee by Mr. Schoberth.</i>	
<i>549 Feb. 1 Committee on appropriations find that WKU should receive \$99,817 with annual appropriations of \$110,000. Received and ordered to be printed.</i>	
<i>774 Feb. 14 HB225 Payment of debts and maintenance revenue by Mr. Nichols of the Committee on State University and Normal Schools</i>	
<i>812 Feb. 15 HB225 Taken from the calendar bills by the House for consideration.</i>	
<i>1165 Feb. 24 HB225 Mr. Palmer moved it be made the Special Order of the Day for Tuesday the 27th at 3 pm.</i>	
<i>1352 HB225 Taken up for consideration by the House as the Special Order of the Day</i>	
<i>1615 Mar. 2 HB225 The sum of \$99,817 appropriated to Western Normal School to pay outstanding debts. One-third of this amount to be received over three successive years. The additional sum of \$25,000 was appropriated for the current fiscal year and each succeeding year. As an emergency was declared to exist the act was to go into effect and be in full force from its approval by the governor. Enacted by the General Assembly.</i>	
<i>2093 Mar. 8 HB225 Senate announced they had passed the bill.</i>	
<i>2176 Mar. 9 HB225 Mr. A.B. Holland(?) of the Committee of Enrollments reported the bill examined and correctly enrolled.</i>	
<i>2312 Mar. 12 HB225 Announced Approved and signed by the Governor.</i>	
<i>Senate Journal Jan. 18, 1912 - Indebtedness 1912 328 SB129 Appropriating money to the three state educational institutions to pay debts incurred for their improvement and maintenance Introduced by Mr. Eaton</i>	
<i>535 Feb. 1 SB129 Taken from the calendar by the Senate for consideration.</i>	
<i>House Journal Feb. 8, 1912 - Payment of Indebtedness 1912 698 HB464 An Act for the benefit of the Western Kentucky State Normal School, Bowling Green, Kentucky, providing for part payment of its indebtedness incurred for the purchase of a new site, necessary buildings and furnishing necessary equipment for the building. To Committee by Mr. Wilson</i>	
<i>911-915 Feb. 19 HB464 Examined and correctly enrolled.</i>	
<i>937 Feb. 20 HB464 Taken by the House for consideration</i>	
<i>House Journal March 2, 1912 - Debt 1912 Amendment to HB225</i>	
<i>1620 HB225 The addition of Section 2 to the Bill to read "that it shall be illegal for any officer or any person in any way connected with the Eastern Kentucky State Normal School, the Western Kentucky State Normal School or the State University . . . , to contract any obligation for or on behalf of said institution when there is no money in their respective treasuries or has been no money appropriated for the purpose for which said contract or obligation was made and that any of said persons who fail to comply with this law shall be fined in each case not less than \$250 nor more than \$2,000 or confined not less than 10 day s in jail nor more than 6 months, or both so fined and imprisoned." Offered by Mr. Shanks.</i>	
<i>1620 Amended the amendment by adding "or sufficient money in line 5 after the word "money." Offered by Mr. Thurman.</i>	
<i>Regents Minutes I, Sept. 9, 1912 - Debts 1912 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1912/spcl/1/ Vote to sell \$100,000 in bonds as authorized by legislature. After this was done, Henry Cherry reported, as of August 1, 1912 there would be a balance of \$19,500 + a warrant for \$5,000 now held by the Treasurer. The fixed appropriation was about \$6,250 each month.</i>	
<i>Nov. 11, 1913 Had to borrow \$29,600 with state warrants as collateral.</i>	
<i>Senate Journal Jan. 28, 1916 - Debt Payment for Western Normal 1916</i>	

Title Description	Date Subjects
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501 SB217 An act authorizing the Commonwealth of Kentucky to pay the indebtedness created against the property of the Western Normal School by the provisions of section 4535c, Kentucky Statutes, and authorizing the board of regents of said school to pay a part of said indebtedness out of the annual appropriation made for the support of said school, and appropriating money for said purpose. Introduced, ordered printed and referred by Mr. Littrell to the Committee on Appropriations.

996 Feb. 9 SB217 Reported with favorable recommendations by Mr. Frost of the Committee on Appropriations.

1030 Feb. 10 SB217 Taken from the calendar for consideration by the Senate.

2208-09 Mar 9 SB217 Taken by Senate for consideration and Read. Ordered engrossed and read for the third time. Constitutional provision for third reading dispensed. Being engrossed vote was taken on its passage and was decided in the affirmative.

2969 Mar 14 SB217 Found correctly enrolled by Mr. Thompson of the Committee on Enrollments. Compared in open Senate session, signed by the President, returned to committee to be delivered to the House.

3004 Mar 14 SB217 A message was received from the House that it had passed the bill.

Henry Cherry Papers: Box 3 - Debt - Western 1916

General Correspondence 1916

Henry Cherry to Sherman Porter, Lexington Herald, April 6, 1916 - Bill was passed to establish a Sinking Fund to pay indebtedness of WKU which was authorized by legislature in 1912. Another bill authorized the normal schools to strengthen courses of study & gave them latitude in standardizing courses.

Paul Garrett Papers: 7 - Debt: Bonds 1952

Finance: Bond Account

W. Arch Bennett, Business Manager-Treasurer, Sept. 2, 1952 to Clifford R. Barnes, Commission of Finance

[Item] - Total - Cherry Hall - McLean Hall - Student Union [Garrett Conference Center]

7/1/1951 - 486,000 - 175,000 - 151,000 - 160,000

Paid during year - 23,000 - 14,000 - 9,000 - 0.00

6/30/1952 - 463,000 - 161,000 - 142,000 - 160,000

Cash balance redemption accounts - 109,325 - 73,450 - 20,650 - 15,225

Student Union Bonds dates 8/1/1950; 1st payment due & paid 8/1/1952

Kelly Thompson Papers: 13 - Debt, Bonded 1964

Bonded Indebtedness

Reprint from Louisville Action in Kentucky, March 18, 1965 - Principal outstanding as of June 30, 1964

University of Kentucky \$30,929,500

Eastern Kentucky University 22,613,000

Morehead State University 11,446,000

Murray State University 8,797,000

WKU 9,306,000

Kentucky State University 1,584,000

Kelly Thompson Papers: 24 - Debt 1964

Reorganization

Bowling Green Daily News, undated clipping in 1965 paper - School indebtedness as of June 30, 1964

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Murray State University 8,797,000

Western Kentucky University 9,306,000

Kentucky State University 1,584,000

Dero Downing Papers: 28 - Debt 1978

University Land Use Plan

Dero Downing to David(?) Gressim(?), Oct. 9, 1978 - re: visit of David Gressim & Harry Snyder to WKU. Points out (again) how little WKU uses for debt service in

comparison to others.

School - Debt Service 1977-78 - Amount per Full Time Employee
 WKU - \$1,935,000 - \$186
 University of Kentucky - 6,122,000 - 203
 Eastern Kentucky University - 3,007,000 - 277
 Kentucky State University - 466,000 - 286
 University of Louisville - 3,528,000 - 288
 Murray State University - 1,814,000 - 294
 Morehead State University - 1,587,000 - 295
 Northern Kentucky University - 1,516,000 - 341

Average amount per Full Time Employee \$246

Presidents: Council on Public Higher Education: 1 - Debt Service 1978
 Council on Higher Education 1978
 Dero Downing to David Gressim(?) Oct. 9, 1978 (David Gressim & Harry Snyder are coming to WKU next Monday). Dero Downing is telling him what is needed.
 1) Land acquisition & use at farm, recreational & agriculture \$1,750,00
 2) Computer need 819,000
 3) Renovate(?) Industrial Education Annex(?) 450,000

Wants to call attention again to debt service. "Admittedly, funds appropriated for debt service cannot be utilized for any other purpose. However, this is a part of the General Fund appropriation and is one form of state support to each of the institutions where the debt has been incurred."

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 Morehead State University - 1,587,000 - 295
 Northern Kentucky University - 1,516,000 - 341
 Total - 19,975,000 - 246

WKU Program Status Report 1979 - Debt 1978
 24 July 1, 1979
 Bonded Debt on educational facilities \$26,880,000
 Bonded Debt Auxiliary Service facilities 18,489,000
 [total] \$45,369,000

Value of physical plant, at cost, was \$94,005,413

WKU - Notecards - Debts - Student

Henry Cherry Papers: 12 - Debts - Student 1926
 General Correspondence 1927
 J.O. Ward, Jackson, ---, Oct. 14, 1926 to Henry Cherry - Has 2 notes due at WKU but can't pay them now. But presents this proposition. Is playing with a famous string trio. Suggests a 2 week engagement at WKU (mandolin, violin, guitar). Sure can draw 1,000 at \$.50 per head. Would expect him to have a share in the collection. "Let us know what date we may play."

Headed: "File"

1926

Debt
Students

WKU - Notecards - Dedication

Elevator 2:7, May 1911 - Dedication 1911 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/1931/
 141 5th Annual Convention of county superintendents convened at WKU May 3-5. Most of them from western 51 counties were present. Friday was devoted to dedication as Vanmeter (142) was turned over to state. Filled at 10:00 Captain Brinton B. Davis, architect, gave "a masterly address." Then he presented school a portrait of President Henry Cherry. Audience forced President Henry Cherry to speak, briefly. At 1:30, met at old building near town & moved to present home.

1911

Dedications

Title Description	Date Subjects
<p>"The line of march was the most imposing ever seen in Bowling Green." At top of Hill, children & young ladies formed two lines through which the visitors passed. Photographs made of the vast crowds. Program Friday night ended the affair. The Barren River excursion was on Saturday.</p> <p>Van Meter Hall (WKU)</p>	
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dees, Benny Resigns</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Friday, Dec. 8, 1972 - Dees Resigns, 1972 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4982 9 Basketball assistant coach Benny Dees resigned to accept principalship of a Georgia high school as of Jan. 1, 1973.</p>	<p>1972</p> <p>Athletics Coaching (Athletics) Basketball</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Deferment</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Friday, Oct. 17, 1941 - Deferment - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3852 1 Article gives information about deferments - and stayed(?) inductions. 9 Student will usually be allowed to complete semester if called up.</p>	<p>1941</p> <p>World War II, 1939-1945 Draft</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Deficit</p> <p>Daily News, Oct. 12, 1973 - Deficit 1973 President Dero Downing has taken exception to report from Legislative Audit Committee that housing & dining system had \$617,869 deficit last year. Dero Downing says it was \$273,110. Dero Downing says rest of it is the cost of the 2 student centers. Report said WKU had 80% dorm occupancy; University of Kentucky 100%; Eastern Kentucky University 93; Morehead State University 82; Murray State University 78; University of Louisville 59</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Oct. 16, 1973 - Deficit 1973 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3500 1 President Dero Downing has objected to Legislative Research Commission report that put WKU's deficit in housing-dining fund last year \$617,869, largest in state. Dero Downing & Harry Largen explained that WKU included auxiliary enterprises (such as student center) while others do not. Dero Downing - WKU's deficit was \$273,110. Rest of amount was for operating Downing University Center & Garrett Conference Center.</p>	<p>1973</p> <p>Debt Business & finance</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Degree Program</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Nov. 4, 1960 - Degree Program 1960 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4639 5 Dean Raymond Cravens announced that students must file a degree program no later than the first semester of the junior year. When approved; it becomes a contract. The primary responsibility rests with the student.</p>	<p>1960</p> <p>Education</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Degree Requirements</p> <p>Normal Executive Council, May 22, 1926 - Degree Requirements 1926 7 WKU's minimum requirements for AB degree: Education 24 semester hours English 12 Social Science 12 Exact Science 12 Math 7 Foreign Language 10 Major 24 Minor 15 Electives 12 [total] 128</p> <p>Regents Minutes, March 20, 1974 - Degree Requirements 1974 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1974/spcl/1/ Approved Academic Council recommendation that the requirement that 1/3 of hours required for degree (43) must be upper division be reduced to ¼ (32 hours).</p>	<p>1926-1974</p> <p>Education Curriculum</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Degrees</p> <p>Includes cards: Conference of Degrees Degree BS Degrees BA & BS</p>	<p>1913-1969</p> <p>Education</p>

Title Description	Date Subjects
<p>Degrees Granted Extension of Degree Program</p>	
<p>Henry Cherry Papers: Box 2 - Degrees 1913 General Correspondence 1913-15 Henry Cherry to Miss Ina Fern Foster, Arizona(?), June 2, 1913 - Explains that getting 2 year or 4 year certificate does not constitute graduation from WKU. "The only graduates of the Normal are those who hold the Life Certificate." We "do not issue a diploma . . ."</p>	
<p>House Journal Feb. 17, 1920 - Conference of Degrees 1920 697 HB443 A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the conference of degrees by educational institutions." Introduced, ordered printed and referred by Mr. Barnes to Committee on Education No. 1</p>	
<p>1174 Feb. 26 - HB443 Reported by Mr. Walsh of the Committee on Education No. 1 with the opinion that it should pass.</p>	
<p>Henry Cherry Papers: Box 3 - Degrees 1920 General Correspondence 1920 Henry Cherry to Dr. W.W. Kemp, San Jose State Normal School, Nov. 18, 1920 & President E.L. Harney [Hardy?], State Normal School, San Diego, Nov. 18, 1920 - Understands some of your normal schools are asking legislature for permission to grant degrees. Seeks info, for we are thinking seriously of doing the same. ". . . our purpose is that we may send teachers into the high school . . . as well as to develop a higher type of elementary school teacher."</p>	
<p>Henry Cherry to A.L. Crabb, Columbia University, July 14, 1921 - While A.L. Crabb is at Columbia, compile arguments "showing why normal schools should become teachers colleges." Try to reduce the arguments to "concrete paragraphs." "We are in the fight down here and there will not be any retreat. I have personally resolved to take my chances in the future and to prosecute a campaign that will know no retreat unless I change my opinions, and the only way this can be done is to come to the conclusion that I am in error. There will be no peace in Kentucky until the course of study is extended at the Western Normal." Lobby with the Kentuckians there.</p>	
<p>Senate Journal, Jan. 11, 1922 - Extension of degree program 1922 215 SB47 To amend and re-enact sub-section fourteen of Article XVI of chapter one hundred thirteen, Kentucky Statutes, Carroll's Edition 1915. Introduced, ordered printed and referred by Mr. Brock to the Committee on University and Normal Schools.</p>	
<p>317 Jan. 17 SB47 Reported with a favorable recommendation by Mr. Brock of Committee on University and Normal Schools.</p>	
<p>323 Jan. 18 SB47 Taken from the calendar for consideration by the Senate Provision for second reading at length dispensed the bill was severally read by title and ordered placed in the Orders of the Day.</p>	
<p>365 Jan. 20 SB47 Mr. Brock moved that it retain its place in the Orders of the Day.</p>	
<p>390-396 Jan. 23 SB47 Taken from the orders of the day and read. Mr. Brock proposed an amendment to said bill which would provide a further course of study and empower the Board of Regents to grant appropriate degrees upon completion of the same, with approval of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Mr. Brock moved his proposal be substituted for SB47. Motion agreed. Read for third time by title and passed. Resolved title to be as amended by the substitute.</p>	
<p>390-396 Jan. 23 SB47 Mr. Hall moved that the vote by which said bill was passed be reconsidered that motion lie on the table.</p>	
<p>775 Feb. 2 SB47 A message from the House announced that they concurred on the bill.</p>	
<p>806 Feb. 3 SB47 Mr. Haselden of the Committee on Enrollments reported the bill examined and found correctly enrolled.</p>	
<p>863 Feb. 6 SB47 Chief Clerk announced he had delivered the bill to the Governor.</p>	
<p>1311 HB47 Written communication was received from Governor Edwin P. Morrow that he had signed the bill.</p>	
<p>University: History Faculty Minutes 1907-1933 - Degree: BS 1925 May 19, 1925 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/8531/ Mr. M.C. Ford moved that WKU offer the BS degree for science majors. Matter "of omitting the two years in Foreign Language being left in the background for the present." Passed.</p>	
<p>Normal Executive Council, May 3, 1930 - Degrees 1930 Council voted to accept Senate Bill 117 & prepare courses of study to be submitted to respective Boards of Regents for granting of bachelors degrees without professional requirements.</p>	

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Kelly Thompson Papers: 18 - Degrees 1960

Extension & Field Service

P.L. Sandefur, Director of Extension to Kelly Thompson, Oct. 24, 1960 - The question he gets more often at meetings in the field:

- 1) When will WKU offer the Educational Specialist degree? Number of graduates tell me that they are hesitant to take work at university beyond MA because of the attitude to University of Kentucky toward this work.
- 2) When will commercial degree be available?

Institutional Self-Study Report 1982 - Degrees 1962

55 BA degree - 11 fields

BS - 10 fields

BM - 1 (music)

Number of students graduating 1961-62 (includes both Arts & Sciences & Education)

Agriculture 22

Art 8

Biology 40

Business M. 0

Chemistry 17

Commercial Education 23

Earth Science 0

Economics 0

Economics(?) & Sociology 13

Elementary Education 82

English 37

English & Allied Language Arts 4

Foreign Languages 0

French 0

Geography 0

Geography & Geology 2

German 0

Government 0

History 42

History & Political Science 0

Home Economics 17

Industrial Arts 11

Latin 0

Library Science 5

Math 20

Music 8

Physical Education 22

Physics 4

Psychology 0

General Science 0

General Science Area 0

Social Science Area 8

Spanish 2

Speech & Dramatic Arts 0

Total: Arts & Sciences 56 Education 331 [total] 387

Kelly Thompson Papers: 24 - Degrees: BA & BS

Registration

Chart shows number of bachelor degrees by year 1924 through 1962. Total 10,298 (MA - 1,283)

Kelly Thompson's Report 196 - Degrees Granted

Year - Bachelors - Masters

1955 - 272 - 41

1956 - 323 - 39

1957 - 363 - 70

1958 - 34 - 97

1959 - 425 - 99

Title	Date
Description	Subjects
<p>1960 - 430 - 115 1961 - 511 - 140 1962 - 532 - 174 1963 - 633 - 195 1964 - 805 - 214 1965 - 855 - 226 1966 - 829 - 255 1967 - 858 - 298 1968 - 1032 - 366 1969 - 1391 - 417</p>	
<p>[total] - 9663 - 2743 - 12,406</p>	
<p>WKU - Notecards - Demands, Student</p>	<p>1970</p>
<p><i>Demands, Student 1970</i> Memo: President Dero Downing to All Members of the Faculty & staff, Aug. 21, [1970] - Proposals have been made for "pre-election recess" but we have decided that it would not serve the best interests of the University. ". . . normal operations should be conducted as scheduled."</p>	<p><i>Education</i> <i>Students</i></p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Demonstration</p>	<p>1967</p>
<p>College Heights Herald, Thursday, Dec. 14, 1967 - Demonstration 1967 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4731 1 Last Thursday's demonstration protesting Dec. 20 as beginning date for holidays drew estimated 500 at its peak. (Wanted Dec. 15). "Jovial group" sang carols.</p>	<p><i>Students</i> <i>Demonstrations</i> <i>Protest movements</i> <i>Holidays</i> <i>Christmas</i></p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Denes, Nicholas 1906-1975 aka Nick Denes</p>	<p>1957-1975</p>
<p><i>Includes cards:</i> <i>Denes, Nick - Coach</i> <i>Denes, Nick Dies</i> <i>Denes, Nick Honored</i> <i>Denes, Nick - Politics</i> <i>Denes, Nick Retires</i> <i>Denes, Nick Retiring</i></p>	<p><i>Athletics</i> <i>Football</i> <i>Baseball</i> <i>Track athletics</i> <i>Coaching (Athletics)</i> <i>Political activity</i></p>
<p><i>Kelly Thompson Papers: 12 - Denes, Nick 1957</i> <i>Athletic Committee</i> Minutes of Athletic Committee, Feb. 1, 1957 - 32 applications for head football coach. Screening committee cut list to 8, then took secret ballot. All favored Nick Denes. Committee accepted sub-committee report. Jimmy Feix will become student assistant football coach after he is released from Air Force.</p>	
<p><i>Athletic Committee 1931-1955 - Denes, Nick 1957</i> Minutes Feb. 1, 1957 - Kelly Thompson said he had received 32 applications for football coach. Screening committee (E.A. Diddle, Ted Hornback, Bob Cochran, L.T. Smith) narrowed list to 8. Then in secret ballot, all voted for Nick Denes as 1st choice. Committee accepted this, unanimously. Kelly Thompson - has secured Jimmy Feix as student assistant coach. He will report in March after release from the Air Force.</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, Feb. 8, 1957 - Denes, Nick Coach - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2934/ 1 Nick Denes, 50 year old member of Male High School athletic staff, was appointed head football coach on Feb. 2. Screening committee examined 32 applications & unanimously recommended him. Will start on Feb. 11. Assistants Frank Griffin & Turner Elrod will continue & when Jimmy Feix is released from Air Force in March he will join staff as student-assistant coach. Nick Denes has unique record of having produced champions in 3 sports- football, track, basketball. In 1939 Nick Denes taught in 4 schools & coached freshman ball. Gives details of his record. (Might need.)</p>	
<p>Feb. 22 [1957] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2933/ 2 Editorial from Male High School newspaper. "A little man with a big heart!" "Only once in a lifetime does one have the opportunity of working day by day with a man like Coach Denes. "</p>	
<p>Courier-Journal 2/11/1957 - Denes, Nick - Coach 1957</p>	

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Nick Denes, WKU's new football coach, has arrived at WKU to start spring practice next week. He was freshman coach & varsity line coach in 1939 at WKU. Will use T-formation. Will have 35 men back from 5-4 squad.

Chandler, A.B. Papers Box 427 - Denes, Nick - Politics 1957
 Nick Denes to Governor A.B. Chandler, Feb. 18, 1957, 2 pages handwritten - Thanks him for telegram when he was appointed football coach. "I have been a 'Chandler' man since 1932 when I first started telling my history students of a dedicated man who might someday be able to serve his country as President. "In 1936, and, again in the recent primary, I used you as proof of what America can offer a person in the way of opportunity if that man has courage, ability and a desire to serve his fellow man. I asked my history students to make reports on your life . . . "Then I asked each student to take the story home to their parents and urge the parents to call two friends, who in turn were asked to call two friends, and ask them to vote for the man who had done so much for our State. "Between now and 1960 I hope that many other history teachers and coaches will do the same thing. Of the number I have suggested the idea to I didn't get one unfavorable response."

Chandler, A.B. Papers Box 427 - Denes, Nick 1958
 N.G. Denes to Gov. A.B. Chandler, May 16, 1958 - Thanks him for kindness during Derby Weekend. "As I travel around the State you can rest assured that I will take advantage of any opportunity to 'sell' people on the idea of Chandler for president and Waterfield for governor."

College Heights Herald, Dec. 13, 1961 [Dec. 12, 1961] - Denes, Nick, Honored 1961 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2168/
 1, 11 Coach Nick Denes was named Ohio Valley Conference coach of the year. This year's team was picked to be last, was 4-2 in Ohio Valley Conference & 6-3 overall. For 5 years at WKU: 22-21-2. Team had best defensive record in Ohio Valley Conference.

College Heights Herald, Nov. 30, 1967 - Denes, Nick Retires 1967 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4733
 9 Coach Nick Denes - retired as coach on Nov. 20 after 11 years at WKU. 57-39-7. Undefeated in 1963, won Tangerine Bowl. Nick Denes: "Wants Feix to succeed him."
 "I came into this world without a cent and a bare behind, and I may leave it the same way, but the good Lord knows I wouldn't trade the people I've met for any amount of money."

Western Alumnus 35:2 Winter 1967 - Denes, Nick 1967
 26 Nick Denes gave up coaching at end of 1967 season. In 11 years at WKU he won 57 lost 39, had 7 ties. Was Ohio Valley Conference "Coach of the Year" in 1961 and 1963. In 1967: 7-1-1, in Ohio Valley Conference 5-1-1. He coached baseball 5 seasons, 1958-1962 & was 49-39-1. Only man ever to coach state champion teams in 3 different sports. Corbin High School basketball 1933. Male High School football 1951. Male High School track 7 times. In 37 years of coaching, all sports included, his record was 546-200-16. He will continue teaching.

College Heights Herald, Tuesday, April 20, 1971 - Denes, Nick Retiring 1971 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4800
 6-7 Nick Denes will soon retire. (Sketch of his career). At WKU: football 57-39-7; baseball 49-39. He can make \$90 per month more by retiring than teaching. "My mother didn't raise an idiot."

Western Alumnus 45:1 Summer 1975 - Denes, Nick 1975
 4 Nick Denes was inducted into Kentucky's Athletic Hall of Fame on Saturday, April 12, 1975. Nick Denes had been coach-of-the-year in every conference in which he had coached. Only Kentucky high school coach to win state (5) championships in 3 sports - football, track, basketball (Corbin High School basketball 1936; Male High School track, 1942-1947; football Male High School 1951). At WKU 11 years: 57-39-7. His 1963 team was undefeated & won Tangerine Bowl. Dero Downing at banquet: "He possesses those inner qualities of heart and mind which have made young men play for him better than they were capable of playing." Nick Denes has been undergoing treatment for cancer. Hungarian-born. Injuries ended his playing days at University of Illinois. Was assistant coach at WKU in 1939-40. Returned in 1957, retired in 1967. Coached baseball 1958-1962 with record of 49-39-1. His total record in all sports was 546-200-16.

College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Dec. 2, 1975 - Denes, Nick, Dies 1975 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5109
 1 Ex-coach Nick Denes died at 69 last Friday after a lengthy illness. Those at funeral read like Who's Who in Kentucky athletics.

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WKU - Notecards - Denman, C.P.

College Heights Herald, Friday, May 2, 1947 - Denman, C.P. 1947 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4550
 1 Dr. C.P. Denman is leaving to take position as director of Training School at Arkansas State College, Jonesboro. Will do some teaching in the college. C.P. Denman has been at WKU since 1934. He has been active in Boy Scouts and other community projects.

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 Teachers

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<p>WKU - Notecards - Dental Hygiene</p> <p>Includes Dental Program</p> <p>Kelly Thompson Papers: 16 - Dental Hygiene 1958 Dental Hygienist Kelly Thompson to Dr. Charles Carter, Bowling Green, Feb. 6, 1958 - WKU would like to offer program in dental hygiene for training hygienists, but "We simply do not have the money to expand our curricula." Would cost \$75,000 to equip a first class clinic & \$25,000 in salaries each year. Will be glad to provide if money becomes available.</p> <p>Kelly Thompson to Dr. Frank W. Jordan, President Elect, Kentucky Dental Association, Aug. 10, 1957 - Answers his letter of Aug. 8, 1957, in which he said that when WKU was contacted 3-4 years ago: "The answer at that time was that you were not interested." Assures him that WKU is interested. Told the committee then (& it is equally true now) that lack of money is only reason for holding back. Does he know of any foundation or other source that would provide help?</p> <p>Kelly Thompson Papers: 41 - Dental Hygiene 1967 Dental Hygiene Memo: William R. Hourigan, Associate Dean to Raymond Cravens, Oct. 19, 1967 - Submits 2 years (1968-69 & 1969-70) budget of \$91,768.99. Based on 25 students the first year & 45 the second would hire Director (\$15,000), Clinical Instructor (\$6,500) & Supervisor (8,000) the 1st year; add another clinical Instructor (6500) the 2nd year.</p> <p>Raymond Cravens to Dr. A.B. Coxwell(?), Secretary-Treasurer Kentucky Dental Association, Louisville, Nov. 9, 1967 - Date to establish hasn't been set, but we request approval of Board of the Kentucky Dental Association.</p> <p>A.B. Coxwell(?) to Raymond Cravens, Nov. 14, 1967 - Executive Board has given unanimous approval.</p> <p>Regents Minutes, 8/22/1969 - Dental Hygiene 1969 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1969/mtg/2/ Approved associate degree program in dental hygiene. Full implementation by fall 1970. Some students start in 1967.</p> <p>Dero Downing Papers: 14 - Dental Hygiene Dental Hygiene Program Memo: Vice President Raymond Cravens to President Dero Downing, April 30, 1970 - On Aug. 22, 1969 Regents approved associate degree program in Dental Hygiene, to be implemented by fall 1970. Academic Council later approved the curriculum. Expects it to begin in fall, 1970. Was a "Program Area." Regents made it a department at Jan. 9, 1971 meeting.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Friday, Oct. 16, 1970 - Dental Program 1970 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4965 5 Dental hygiene clinic will open in late November in Academic Complex.</p> <p>Western Alumnus 39:6 Summer 1971 - Dental Hygiene 1971 16-17 Article on start of Dental Hygiene program with 17 students enrolling on Aug. 17, 1971.</p>	<p>1958-1971</p> <p>Dental education Dental hygiene Dentistry</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Department Heads</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: Box 10 - Department Heads 1925 General Correspondence 1925 Henry Cherry to Charles E. Thomas, Hattiesburg, Miss., Feb. 16, 1925 - Tells him that heads of regular departments must now have M.A. degree. Head of Manual Training Department has recently received his degree.</p> <p>Finley Grise Correspondence A-CO - Department Heads 1929 Cherry Finley Grise, Conference with Mr. Henry Cherry, Sept. 28, 1929 - "The president advises that except in rare and special cases, the load of the heads of the departments should not be reduced below that of other teachers."</p> <p>College Heights Herald, May 24, 1940 - Department Heads 1940 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3828 1 Dr. W.J. Edens has been made head of agriculture and Dr. H.L. Stephens head of biology to replace late Dr. M.C. Ford. Not expected to need to employ another teacher.</p> <p>Gordon Wilson Diary, May 11, 1965 - Department Heads Gordon Wilson says department heads should return to teaching at 65. "Many of our worst ills as a college would have been avoided if that rule could have been applied to us." I told you that relative youth should be 1st consideration in selecting my successor. But he isn't converted to concept of a fixed tenure.</p>	<p>1925-1965</p> <p>Education Teachers</p>

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<p>WKU - Notecards - Departments</p> <p>Regents Minutes, June 11, 1914 - Departments 1914 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1914/mtgs/2/ The salary scale lists these people as department heads: Arndt Stickles - History W.J. Craig - Chemistry & Physics J.R. Alexander - "Head Instructor in Mathematics" F.J. Strahm - Music M.A. Leiprer - Lating & Grammar R.P. Green - Geogrphay Iva Scott - Domestic Sciences & Arts Miss A.E. Van Houten - Feehand Drawing and Penmanship</p> <p>Teachers College Heights, Nov. 1931 - Departments 1931 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/1957/ 41 Starts with listing of each department. 53 "The Present" compared with "The Beginning." Also includes such areas as "Library."</p> <p>Kelly Thompson Papers: 8 - Deaprtments 1962 New Faculty: 1963-64 Department ranks by total student hours, fall 1962</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. English 9,979 2. Math 5,932 3. Biology 5,916 4. Eucaiton 5,912 5. Business & Government 4,459 6. Chemistry 3,985 7. Economics & Sociology 3,840 8. History 3,660 9. Psychology 3,585 10. Physical Education 2,503 11. Geography & Geology 2,402 12. Home Economics 2,277 13. Foreign Languages 2,169 14. Music 2,112 15. Art 2,019 16. Agriculture 1,270 17. Industrial Arts 1,240 18. Physics 1,120 <p>Rank by student-teacher ratio</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Industrial Arts 12.91 2. Music 14.66 3. Library Science 15.00 4. Physical Education 17.38 5. Physics 17.50 6. Agriculture 17.55 7. Training School 18.45 8. Foreign Languages 22.59 9. Education 23.09 10. Home Economics 2371 11. Economics 24.00 12. Geography & Geology 25.03 13. Art 25.23 14. History 25.41 15. English 28.34 16. Math 30.89 17. Business & Government 34.83 18. Biology 41.08 19. Chemistry 41.51 	<p>1914-1962</p> <p>Education</p>

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Description	Subjects
<p>20. Psychology 44.81</p> <p>Rank by cost per student semester hour, fall 1962</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Physics \$17.50 2. Music 17.25 3. Industrial Arts 16.43 4. Agriculture 15.28 5. Physical Education 14.19 6. Library Science 11.37 7. Education 9.23 8. Home Economics 8.66 9. Georgraphy & Geology 8.53 10. Art 8.41 11. Foreign Languages 8.18 12. History 8.16 13. Chemistry 6.93 14. Economics & Sociology 6.93 tie 15. Math 6.25 16. Biology 6.21 17. English 6.19 18. Business & Government 5.73 19. Psychology 4.72 	
WKU - Notecards - Departments, New	1971
<p>College Heights Herald, Friday, Jan. 15, 1971 - Departments, New 1971 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4789</p> <p>1 Regents at Jan. 9 created new departments of Health & Safety - Dr. James Dunn; Dental Hygiene - Dr. A. Fogle Godby.</p> <p>Old Training School is to be renovated at cost of \$514,000 to house Engineering Technology & Geography & Geology.</p> <p>2 Confirmed plan to build 150 units of married student housing.</p>	Education
WKU - Notecards - Depot: Louisville & Nashville	1925
<p>College Heights Herald, 7/30/1925 - Depot: L&N 1925 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2231/</p> <p>1 New \$300,000 building is nearing completion - one of finest buildings in Bowling Green.</p>	Railroad facilities Railroads Louisville & Nashville
WKU - Notecards - Depression	1930-1976, nd
<p>Includes cards:</p> <p>Depression: Rumor Closing</p> <p>Depression Supper</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: 16 - Depression 1930</p> <p>General Correspondence 1930</p> <p>Governor Flem D. Sampson to Henry Cherry, Aug. 21, 1930 - All stte agencies should provide as much employment as possible. "Neither long hours nor reduced pay should be tolerated." Drouth is making economic conditions even worse.</p> <p>Flem Sampson to Henry Cherry, July 7, 1930 - Contractors should use Kentucky stone.</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: 15 - Depression 1930</p> <p>General Correspondence 1930</p> <p>Capt. Brinton B. Davis, Louisville to Henry Cherry, Nov. 17, 1930 - Louisville Trust Company "closed it doors last night and tied up all my surplus funds." Would appreciate it if Henry Cherry will forward the amount due him for services.</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: 18 - Depression 1931</p> <p>General Correspondence 1931</p> <p>Max B. Harlin, Bowling Green to Henry Cherry, Feb. 7, 1931 - Max Harlin says he continues to get complaints from local firms that WKU is not buying from them. Cites especially J.T. Patterson & Company (canned goods) and Fields Packing Company. (Depression seems to have increased such complaints. Firms are desperate for business.)</p>	Depression Economic & social conditions Economic conditions Economic policy Economics

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Henry Cherry Papers: 17 - Depression 1931
General Correspondence 1931

Henry Cherry to Superintendent of Public Instruction U.C. Bell(?), Frankfort, July 8, 1931 - Henry Cherry says bids have been let for president's home and swimming pool at prices 1/3 less than they would have been fairly recently.

Henry Cherry Papers: 19 - Depression: Rumor Closing 1932
General Correspondence 1932

Henry Cherry to Supt. O.L. Shutz, Hartford, Jan. 18, 1932 (and to other ---) - Denies rumor that WKU will close. Second semester will open as scheduled on Feb. 1, 1932.

Henry Cherry Papers: 19 - Depression 1932
General Correspondence 1932

Marshall Norton, Superintendent Breckinridge County to Henry Cherry Jan. 18, 1932 - Last Saturday 2 county banks closed. Board of Education will not be able to pay teachers before Feb. 19 at earliest. Can ones who plan to enter WKU on Feb. 1 pay fees & board etc. late, when they get paid?

Henry Cherry to Marshall Norton, Jan. 23, 1932 - OK. Please pay as soon as possible as WKU "is having serious experiences(?) but I am sure everything will work out in a satisfactory way."

University: History Faculty Minutes 1907-33 - Depression 1932

April 11, 1932 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/8524/

Special called meeting in Little Theatre Monday night, April 11. Henry Cherry discussed the retrenchment program that has become necessary. "It was heard with interest." Mr. Sterrett Cuthbertson spoke, representing the Regents, and endorsed what President Henry Cherry had said. Dr. Arndt Stickles moved that faculty endorse the statements made & pledge full cooperation. Pass unanimously.

July 31, 1933 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/8523/

Henry Cherry expressed "deep appreciation for the loyalty and support" of faculty and students "during the past fiscal year, which was one of the most strenuous in the experience of the institution." By rigid economy, ". . . the institution was able to run over into the next fiscal year with a small balance, after balancing the books and paying off all debts. This was accomplished by cutting off every item of extra expense, reducing the salaries, consolidating courses and using every means possible to economize."

Regents Minutes II, April 14, 1932 - Depression 1932 - <https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1932/spcl/1/>

Statement / Plan by Henry Cherry on how retrenchment should be done.

1. Halt capital improvements except in emergency.
2. Hold purchase to emergency need.
3. Eliminate only courses not essential
4. Cut maintenance & utility costs
5. Try to maintain present condition of grounds
6. Everyone takes salary/wage cut.
7. Increase student fee from \$6 to \$10

If after schools agree, reduce summer school to 9 weeks. May need to discontinue it in 1933. Hard to establish income because of the inheritance tax. If estimated at \$60,000 and millage tax at \$189,000, total would be \$249,000. General operating expense have been about \$12,000 per month (\$144,000). Can't cut this under \$8,000. May be able to reduce staff - more per class, taching loads above required standards; using people with lower qualifications. If we eliminate 25-30 members, payroll will be +/- \$309,000. Figures that enrollment may decline by 25%.

Estimated deficits:

1 Figuring \$60,000 inheritance tax - \$64,662

Figuring \$120,000 inheritance tax - 4,662.

1 Total receipts \$340,500
Expenses 309,162 salaries
96,000 operating
[total] 405,162
-\$64,662

Then presents his \$120,000 inheritance tax budget.
Board approved Henry Cherry's plans.

1A University Publications Brochures 1906-1930 - Depression Supper 1932

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<p><i>Small 4 page pamphlet for Homecoming 1932 (Nov. 5). It is a welcome to the "Depression Supper." The "(actual cost of food contents(?) 8 cents)". "Hard-times' has not stopped W.K.T.C. from serving and carrying out its ideals."</i></p>	
<p><i>Applications(?): History - Depression 1933</i> <i>A.B. Clayton, Principal, Worthville, Ky. High School to President Henry Cherry, Jan. 2, 1933 - "I note in the Courier-Journal that one of your history teachers just died." He applies. Has 18 hours of graduate work at University of Michigan.</i></p>	
<p><i>Program: Fourth Annual Banquet of the Social Science Club - Depression 1933</i> <i>April 15, 1933 Public Hall(?) (University: Student Organizations)</i> <i>"New Deal" Menu</i> <i>Foam Cocktail</i> <i>Tennessee Valley Project</i> <i>Reforestation Beans</i> <i>Confident Potatoes</i> <i>Saved Bank Rolls</i> <i>Inflation Salad - Script Dressing</i> <i>Mortgage Relief Special</i> <i>Three point two Coffee</i></p>	
<p><i>Henry Cherry Papers: 21 - Depression 1934</i> <i>General Correspondence 1934</i> <i>Henry Cherry to J.T. Wade, Tulsa, March 10, 1934 - Says that at start of economic crisis we had to eliminate "at least twenty members from our regular faculty." (He had been saying 29, 31 or about 30). We must try to take care of them if jobs become available before we employ anyone else.</i></p>	
<p><i>University: History Faculty Minutes 1907-33 - Depression 1934</i> <i>April 30, 1934 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/8522/</i> <i>Henry Cherry on budget for 1934-35. "He brought before them the fact that unless some legislation was enacted at a special session of the General Assembly, that education would be wrecked, and that no member of the faculty or working force is employed after July 1. This statement was made in order to give any faculty member an opportunity to accept any better proposition that might be offered him."</i></p>	
<p><i>July 24, 1934</i> <i>Henry Cherry discussed the meeting of General Assembly, the sales tax, etc. "He then expressed in highly complimentary terms his appreciation for the work done by Dr. M.C. Ford during the regular and special sessions of the General Assembly and said that he hoped the faculty would show their appreciation for Dr. Ford's work."</i></p>	
<p><i>In 1930-31, he got \$525,344.44 from the state. If WKU gets all appropriated for present year, it will be \$347,000 or \$177,944.44 less. Payroll this year is \$365,290.16 which is \$17,890.16 more than total amount received from state. Fees must take care of equipment, athletics, everything else. Tried to do all that could be done for salaries. "Let me say, I do not believe any faculty member has a right to compare salaries."</i></p>	
<p><i>Adams, Marie Interview, Dec. 12, 1976 - Depression</i> <i>13 Marie Adams: well, I don't remember them very differently except when they declared a bank holiday and some of the girls didn't even have a postage stamp to write home. I remember one particularly. Of course, I was in the Home Management House and you certainly counted your pennies. And one of them had quite a run-in with the grocery clerk because she thought maybe she was being charged too much. She just had so much money to spend. And, so they finally came to an agreement on that.</i></p>	
<p><i>University of Kentucky Special Collections - Depression</i> <i>H.L. & Nell S. Donovan Papers</i> <i>Box 1 "I Remember Eastern"</i> <i>56 Gov. Ruby Laffoon called conference of the presidents to tell them that budgets were to be cut 10%.</i> <i>57 Herman Donovan made impassioned speech. Asked Ruby Laffoon if he was going to cut everything 10%, including budget of office of the governor? He said other agencies couldn't operate if cut 10%.</i> <i>58 Herman Donovan replied that colleges couldn't either. Said he would appeal to the public. "When I sat down completely exhausted from my anger, President H.H. Cherry jumped to his feet quite as angry as I was and he took up where I left off. He said he would stump the state and denounce such an action if our budgets were cut." Other presidents spoke up. Ruby Laffoon decided not to cut.</i> <i>59 "I believe that every college president should have sufficient financial resources that will enable him to be independent and able to express his views on all matters related to the institution over which he presides. A president of a college must not be afraid of his job; he must be willing to sacrifice his position in the cause of his institution."</i></p>	

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<p>WKU - Notecards - Desegregation</p> <p>Includes cards Desegregation: Faculty</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Thursday, Dec. 7, 1978 - Desegregation 1978 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3436 1 Team from Office of Equal Opportunity will be here March 5 to investigate such matters as minority employment on all levels, minority recruiting, financial aid. Black students at WKU = 7.2%. Kentucky's % of blacks is 7%.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, 1/20/1981 - Desegregation - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5646 U.S. Department of Education told Governor John Y. Brown last week that the state university system contains "vestiges of segregation" that violate Civil Rights Acts of 1954 & 1964. Kentucky has 60 days to come up with plan or risk losing \$60,000,000 in federal aid. Council on Higher Education recent develop the 5 year plan.</p> <p>Male black students - WKU is 7% Male black faculty - WKU is 1.6% (10 of 605) Male black administrators - WKU is 2.1%</p> <p>Donald Zacharias Papers: Box 13 - Desegregation: Faculty Desegregation: Day to Day Activities Memo: Dean William Lloyd, Ogdon, to Vice President James L. Davis, 7/7/1983 - Explains problems in recruiting minority faculty. Only 2 options: (1) raid faculty at black schools, or (2) word-of-mouth need to colleagues at graduate training institutions. "We have rejected the first option, as potentially destructive for the predominately black institutions which are already experiencing difficulties in faculty retention."</p>	<p>1978-1983</p> <p>Integration African Americans Blacks Minorities Students Teachers Segregation</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Development</p> <p>Includes cards: Development Director Development Office Development Program</p> <p>Regents Minutes, Dec. 1, 1979 - Development 1979 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1979/mtgs/4/ Donald Zacharias recommends position of "Director of Development" be created; to be filled later. Approved.</p> <p>Sept. 6, 1980 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1980/spcl/2/ John W. Sweeney, Director of Development, \$37,500.</p> <p>Nov. 1, 1980 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1980/mtgs/4/ Donald Zacharias presented "A Plan for Development for Western Kentucky University from Private Sources," prepared by John Sweeney. Donald Zacharias stressed need for it: "No institution, in my opinion, can face the '80's with anything in the way of a hope of accomplishing more than mediocrity without widespread individual support and corporate support for various programs." Donald Zacharias said proposed program will provide some dividends within 5 years & would have substantial impact within 20 years. Steering Committee be mesh(?) this program with the College Heights Foundation. Has support of Kelly Thompson, Chairman of Board of Directors. Approved.</p> <p>Informational Notes (President) Dec. 6, 1979 - Development 1979 Regents, Dec. 1, 1979 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1979/mtgs/4/ Position of Director of Development was established and will be filled.</p> <p>Regents - Nov. 1, 1980 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1980/mtgs/4/ Approved 1st phase of development program. "It should provide dividends to the University in the next five years and should have substantial impact over the next 20 years." John Sweeney is Director of Development.</p> <p>Daily News, 8/4/1982 - Development 1980 John W. Sweeney, 52 from University of Missouri-Columbia, has been named director of development. Will assume duties on Wednesday. Regents approved position in Dec. 1979.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Sept. 9, 1980 - Development Director 1980 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5525 12 New director of development is John Sweeney, who for last 12 years has done this type of work at University of Missouri. Donald Zacharias said that without outside funds WKU's academic program will suffer in competition with private sectors.</p>	<p>1979-1984</p> <p>Fund raising</p>

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Daily News, 5/24/1981 - Development 1981
Committee of 75 named to assist the school which is 75 years old.

Regents Minutes, Aug. 22, 1981 - Development 1981 - <https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1981/mtgs/4/>
John Sweeney presented plan for Named Professorships & scholarships. Endowed Chairs - \$500,000 Distinguished Professorship - \$250,000 etc. Endowed Scholarship \$30,000

Donald Zacharias Papers: Box 14 - Development Office
Development

Brochure "An Invitation to Help" is out +/- 1982. Donald Zacharias appointed members to development committee in 3/1981. Regents adopted plan in 1980. John Sweeney was appointed Director of Development in July 1980(?). He developed a plan.

For period July 1, 1983 through March 31, 1984

Current Unrestricted 43,982.40

Current Restricted 136,977.67

Endowment Funds 33,774.66

Total \$214,734.73

Non-cash gifts 74,847.00

[total] 289,581.73

+ 25,000.00 matching grant

[total] 314,581.73

There is a great deal of material in this and box 15 on the Development program.

Self-Study Report Office of Development - Development Office 1982

1 Office of Development was established in 1980 to coordinate fund raising efforts and to implement a comprehensive plan. Regents approved a Plan for Development in Nov. 1980. John W. Sweeney became the Director of Development.

2 "The role of the office of Development is to seek funds from the private sector and to maintain and enhance the University's educational, research and public programs."

3 In fiscal 1981-82, from all sources there were 6,584 contributions, with a total of \$763,935. This was 120% dollar increase and 480% gift increase over previous year. 1981-82 was 1st full operational year.

President's Club - \$1,000 or more annually. (102 current members). Lower classifications (Horizon Club - \$200-299; Century \$100-199; First Quarter \$25-99).

Pushed deferred gift plan.

4 Campaign underway to raise \$500,000 to endow a chair in accounting.

Regents Minutes, April 30, 1983 - Development Program 1983 - <https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1983/mtgs/2/>

Development Steering Committee met in New York on April 11. Donald Zacharias and Regents Joe Campbell & Joe Iracane attended. Gifts to the Development Fund (not College Heights Foundation or Hilltopper Hundred Club) for July 1, 1982 - March 31, 1982 totaled \$220,110.42, compared with \$170,197.38 last year.

August 20, 1983 - <https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1983/mtgs/1/>

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Summary - Number of Donors 1982/83 - Amount 1982/83 - Number of Donors 1981/82 - Amount 1981/82

Development - 5,368 - 315,986.33 - 5,120 - 271,448.33

College Heights Foundation - 856 - 199,218.49 - 713 - 253,736.16

Hilltopper Hundred Club - 789 - 271,079.98 - 751 - 238,751.44

Ogden College Foundation - 5 - 2,115.00 - 0 - 0

[totals] - 7,018 - 786,399.80 - 6,584 - 763,935.93

Update 4/6/1984 - Development 1984 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/7014

Private gifts to WKU through the Office of Development increased 27% in the 1st six months of 1983-84 compared with last year.

Personnel File 4 (Dec. 1984) - Development 1984 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/1440/

Office of Development started in 1980.

President's Club: \$1000 annually

Horizon Club: \$200-\$999

Century Club: \$100-\$199

First Quarter: \$15-99

College Heights Foundation and Hundred Club are separate entities. Combined, they increased number of gifts in 1983-84 by 25% and 40% in amount over

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1982-83. First year over \$1,000,000

WKU - Notecards - Development Plan

1974-1981

Fund raising
Construction

Regents Minutes, July 27, 1974 - Development Plan 1974 - <https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1974/mtg/4/>
 Kelly Thompson gave report on College Heights Foundation. Said it is not an Office of Development which calls for staff which concentrate on fund raising. He was confident day would come when WKU would want to set up such an office. He is following what is done elsewhere. Says the real impact of the College Heights Foundation's low keyed program will start in another decade.

Daily News, 8/10/1979 - Development Plan 1979

Regents' Finance Committee approved study of Long Range Development Plan to see if it is still applicable in view of trends such as declining enrollments. It was developed in 1965 and revised in 1972. Separate plan far from(?) in 1976. Michael Harrel: "we have land and buy land all the time. Is the master plan under which we're operating relevant in 1979 with what we're seeing now?"

William Kuegel: "It seems to me we are sitting on several million dollars of prime land we will eventually have to take a look at."

Donald Zacharias said operating budget will have priority over construction projects.

Finance Committee approved construction requests \$22,300,000 in this order of priority.

1) Indoor recreation & Physical Education Building \$4.5

2) Specialized classroom & lab building 3.75

3) Farm buildings .5

4) Library annex .7

5) Physical Plant building 2.0

6) Outdoor recreation .4

7) Pedestrian campus .2

Donald Zacharias said priority must be given to renovations and improvements of existing buildings. These come to \$5,285,000.

College Heights Herald, Nov. 6, 1980 - Development Plans 1980 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5549

18A Regents approved the development plan submitted by President Donald Zacharias. Donald Zacharias: "It won't solve all our problems, but it's a beginning."

Says it will fit in with the Alumni Office and the College Heights Foundation "in a compatible, supportive manner."

Development - will devise programs and see that they are carried out.

College Heights Foundation - "chief custodian" of the funds.

(No mention of Alumni Office).

Talisman 1981 - Development Plan 1980 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/404/

129 John Sweeney is development director to help solve financial problems.

WKU - Notecards - Development, Funds

1981-1983

Fund raising
Money

Includes Development Fund Distribution

Update, Nov. 10, 1981 - Development, Funds 1981 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/7031/

The Student Development Foundation Phonathon got pledge of over \$34,000. Over 700 students participated in 3 week event.

Hilltopper Hundred Club will have a 4 hour Sportathon TV cast from Diddle Arena on Sunday Nov. 22.

Dec. 18, 1981 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/7030/

It raised pledges of \$23,000.

Regents Minutes, June 26, 1982 - Development Fund Distribution 1982 - <https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1982/spcl/2/>

Donald Zacharias recommends plan for distributing unrestricted funds contributed through Development Office. On July 1, 1982 (+ end of July 1 thereafter)

President will put minimum of 15% of the unrestricted development fund into an academic excellence fund - built it until it reaches \$250,000. On July 1, rest of

funds will be distributed. Each undergraduate college dean gets \$500. Each Vice President & the 5 non-college deans gets \$250. These funds will be available to support small projects (\$200-500; none over \$2,000) in a variety of areas. Generally, for non-recurring expenditures. Passed, unanimous.

Regents Minutes, August 20, 1983 - Development Funds 1982 - <https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1983/mtgs/1/>

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<p>Donald Zacharias explained that flow into College Heights Foundation was quite uneven - affected by matters (wills) over which Foundation has no control.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, 3/1/1983 - Development Fund 1982 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2346/ University has distributed \$25,173 to various projects from the unrestricted development fund President Donald Zacharias asked Regents to establish last summer. Fund comes from the unrestricted gifts to the University. Last year WKU received about \$775,000 from 6,400 donors. About \$60,000 of that was unrestricted. About 95% of the phonothon contributions were unrestricted. 33 of 49 requests were financial.</p>	
<p>WKU - Notecards - Developmental Studies</p> <p>Self-Study Report Dec. 1982 - Developmental Studies 1 Developmental or Academic Support Services. Purpose - "to promote the academic success and retention of students who enroll with inadequate skills and/or knowledge in a specific discipline to achieve success at the college level." Sources of help: 1) Academic departments 2) Developmental Studies 3) Federal grant - Special Services for Disadvantaged Students. Helps 250 students. Started 1980, to last 4 years.</p>	<p>1982</p> <p>Education Students</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Developments</p> <p>State Normal Bulletin, Aug. 1908 - Developments 1908 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2076/ 3 Since Jan. 222, 1907, 1770 students have enrolled. Last legislature appropriated \$150,000 for grounds, buildings, dorms, equipment, etc.</p>	<p>1908</p> <p>Education Students</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - DiBella, Edward</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Oct. 21, 1975 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5092/ 8 Dr. Edward DiBella retired this year after teaching 9 years in Sociology Department. He is now attending classes, 3 of them, auto mechanics, Italian pronunciation, Spanish conversation. WKU is "too tempting a resource not to make use of it." He took some classes while still teaching.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Thursday, March 30, 1978 - DiBella, Edward 1978 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5514/ 1 Dr. Edward DiBella at 72 is WKU's oldest student. Had taught sociology here 10 years. His first day: "I really didn't know how to behave. I was thinking it was a little absurd at my stage . . . to do this sort of thing." But "My fellow students were very accepting. They saw this old duffer and accepted him as another student." Linda Ehresman, 16, is youngest student. A Warren East senior, she is taking 2 college classes.</p>	<p>1975-1978</p> <p>Students Teachers</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dial Access</p> <p>College Heights Herald, March 23, 1967 - Dial Access 1967 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4718/ 1 Vice President Raymond Cravens announced that Dial Access Information Retrieval System will be in library by next fall. 40 booths. "In some classes DAIRS could eliminate the formal classroom lecture completely." Raymond Cravens.</p>	<p>1967</p> <p>Education Audio recording</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dickey, Lois</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Friday, Dec. 10, 1971 - Dickey, Lois 1971 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4840/ 3 Miss Lois Dickey, chief cashier in business office, began working at WKU in 1924. After 47 years, she has longest tenure of anyone on the hill.</p>	<p>1971</p> <p>Employees</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Diddle Arena</p> <p>Regents Minutes, Dec. 13, 1960 - Diddle Arena 1960 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1960/qtrly/3/ Kelly Thompson describes new Physical Education building as WKU's top priority need. Showed architect's drawing of a circular building - classroom - Physical Education - ----. Estimated \$2,500,000. About 2/3 will come from bonds; hope to get rest as capital construction grant from state. Board authorizes him to proceed.</p> <p>Dero Downing's Papers: 56 - Diddle Arena 1965 NCAA Tournament 1965 WKU was host to 1st round games (2) of NCAA Mid-East Regional in 1965. First time an Ohio Valley Conference team has ever been host. Roll-away bleachers are now being installed & by Feb. 1, 1965 seating capacity will be increased from 8,500 to 12,500.</p> <p>Dero Downing Papers: 5 - Diddle Arena News Release: Aug. 1970 Opened in 1963 - seated 8,568</p>	<p>1960-1974</p>

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1965 up to 12,500
1970 up to 13,508
(Later reduced by chair seats).

College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Dec. 10, 1974 - Diddle Arena Sound - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5041
1 Architects Frank Cain and Ben Johnson say that originally Diddle was not designed to be used as auditorium. Frank Cain said lack of funds was main reason why acoustics are poor. L.T. Smith says that not much was known then about how to provide good acoustics in that type of structure. (He says money won't cut back). Curtis Logsdon said solution to problem would cost \$100,000.

WKU - Notecards - Diddle Dorm

Gordon Wilson Box 2 - Diddle's Dorm
Why I Was a Teacher
194 Dr. Frank Thomas lived in what became Diddle's Dorm after Gordon Wilson returned to Bowling Green in 1915. He was famous Methodist minister who edited Methodist Quarterly Review. He invited Gordon Wilson to use his library - an immense room full to ceiling with books. After his health broke he took his own life. Mrs. Thomas died 3 years later. The library was broken up & sold to Methodist schools.

College Heights Herald, Jan. 31, 1939 - Diddle's Dorm - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3808
3 First building on the Hill. Erected before Civil War by Underwood family. Early 1900s Dr. Frank Thomas, who occupied it to 1926. Sold to WKU for \$10,136. Remodeling & annex cost \$10,318.27. Used as classrooms for several departments, then only for music. Next use isn't known.

College Heights Herald, Jan. 31 & Feb. 10, 1939 - Diddle's Dorm - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3808
https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3807
Says it was built before Civil War for a wealthy landowner named Underwood. Went into hands of Dr. Frank Thomas (brother of Judge R.C.P. Thomas) in early 1900s. After he died, family lived there until 1926 when WKU purchased it for \$10,136. WKU enlarged & remodeled for cost of \$10,318.27. Used as classroom for several academic departments. Then left for Music Department - as it is now (1939) used.

College Heights Herald, Friday, May 5, 1944 - Diddle Dorm 1944 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4511
10 "The Little Village" is a large room on second floor of gym where the basketball players live. Row of double-decker bunks, line of dressers and chests across from them. Large closet. Individual desks.

Mrs. Diddle Interview - Diddle's Dorm 1945+ - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/694
Thinks that they moved to Diddle Dorm about 1945. Had built home in 1929. "Oh, I didn't like it when he told me I was going to have to move; it nearly killed me. But after I got up there I enjoyed the boys terribly." When she first came to Bowling Green it was Mr. Thomas' house - a lawyer. Then the Music Department was there.

Talisman 1949 - Diddle's Dorm - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/364/
8 History of Diddle's Dorm: Private home until WKU purchased it. Music Department (until Music Building constructed) 1939. "Little Dorm" for girls in World War II. 1944 start of Diddle's Dorm.

Dero Downing Papers: 14 - Diddle Dorm
Diddle Dorm
It was made available as a girls' dorm in 1966 but remained unoccupied then because of lack of maid service. Girls apparently moved into it the spring, 1967. Mr. & Mrs. Diddle each received \$25 per month "for services in connection with the operation" of it. See: Kelly Thompson to Harry Largen, Sept. 9, 1967.

Kelly Thompson to E.A. Diddle, June 19, 1969 - Now \$50 to him & \$25 to Mrs. Diddle. Development plans do not call for change in this area and "you can make your plans to remain at your present location for some time to come."

President Dero Downing to Hubert Griffin, July 2, 1970 - Mrs. Diddle will continue to reside in the apartment during 1970-71. Room in back for housing women will be converted to faculty affairs.

In 1975, 1st floor was used for Communication Disorders program. Then in 1978 it was re-converted into dorm for basketball.

Memo: Rhea P. Lazarus to John Oldham & Jim Richards, Aug. 14, 1978 - WKU will not provide special parking for any dorm including Diddle Dorm. Plenty of spaces on State Street.

Memo: Jim Richards to Dero Downing, Oct. 6, 1978 0 Norman Kahn donated about \$7,000 of carpet for Diddle's Dorm.

College Heights Herald, Thursday, Sept. 21, 1978 - Diddle Dorm 1978 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3400

1915-1978

Dormitories
Residential facilities
Houses
Basketball
Basketball players

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1 Renovation was estimated at \$23,000 but Harry Largen said it has cost \$48,253. Another \$16,789 has been spent on furniture. A number of gifts have been made - carpeting, drapes, air conditioners.

Sept. 28 [1978] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3423/

4 Editorial "The university's slightly misguided priorities regarding athletics and academics have become apparent in the situation of Diddle Hall and the speech clinic."

Western Alumnus 50:3 Winter 1978-79 - Diddle Dorm 1978

14 Season opened Nov. 25 under new coach Gene Keady. Diddle Dorm (now Hall) reopened for athletes this fall. Had been used as such from 1945 through 1964 when Mr. Diddle retired. He continued to live there until his death in 1970. Purchased by WKU in 1926, used as Music Building to 1945. Has 14 air-conditioned, carpeted, private & semi-private rooms. Have 18 athletes & trainers, manager. Apartment for hall director, TV room, guest room, laundry facilities.

WKU - Notecards - Diddle, Edgar Allen, 1895-1970 - 1922-1949

Includes cards:

- Diddle, E.A.
- Diddle, E.A. & Rex
- Diddle, E.A. at Notre Dame
- Diddle, E.A., Coach
- Diddle, E.A., Honored
- Diddle, E.A., Influence
- Diddle, E.A., Story
- Diddle, E.A., to Leave?

Normal Heights, Aug. 1922 - Diddle, E.A. 1922 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4071/

4 "It stands for vigorous athletics of unquestioned integrity . . . It pledges to use every effort in the safeguarding of the spirit of high idealism in the games that shall be played under its auspices. In other words, it will offer no athletics that compromises the general principles of the school."

Mr. E.A. Diddle has been employed to direct men's athletics. He is graduate of Centre & was captain of the Centre football team.

Henry Cherry Papers: Box 4 - Diddle, Coach 1922

General Correspondence 1922

Henry Cherry to E.A. Dittle (mis-spelled), Greenville, May 26, 1922 - Offer him \$1800 for 10 months. Teach 2 hours in morning, rest of day devoted to athletics.

"The classes which we would call on you to teach you could handle without any trouble." Is sorry that this is all he can offer. "There is a great field opening here.

The opportunities are many. There is a great student body and fine spirit and if everything works out all right, I am sure you will be properly taken care of in the future and in a satisfactory way."

Henry Cherry to E.A. Diddle (correct spelling), June 6, 1922 - He will be excused(?) from any traveling. Will improve salary as soon as possible.

E.A. Diddle to Henry Cherry - Declines, doesn't want to travel(?).

L.T. Smith to E.A. Diddle, June 6, 1922 - L.T. Smith urges him to accept, says it is a great opportunity. Says he has --- to high school athletes all over western Kentucky. 15 of 17 football lettermen will return. "We can turn out a winning team, and whatever you do in developing teams will be to your credit." Training camp opens Sept. 1 & your work can be completed by June 1. Hopes that he can assist "you in the accomplishment for the Western Kentucky State Normal what Myers & Moran accomplished for Centre . . ."

Henry Cherry Papers: Box 4 - Diddle, Coach 1922

General Correspondence 1922

Henry Cherry to President T.J. Coates, Eastern Kentucky University, Nov. 14, 1922 - Thanks him for clipping he sent. "Coach Diddle is a real coach and we are greatly pleased with him."

College Heights Herald, July 16, 1925 - Diddle, E.A. 1925 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2230/

1 During 2nd semester of summer school Coach E.A. Diddle will study coaching at Notre Dame with famous Knute Rockne. E.A. Diddle: "He is a worker and a real sport."

Teachers College Heights, Oct. 1925 - Diddle at Notre Dame 1925 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/8431/

7 Coach E.A. Diddle attended August school for football coaches at Notre Dame. Conducted by Knute Rockne "and is the Oxford of football training."

College Heights Herald, May 1928 - Diddle & Rex 1928 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/8505/

6 E.A. Diddle & Carl Anderson went to examine field houses at Cincinnati University & Butler University. Near Elizabethtown E.A. Diddle's car broke down, & while

1922-1949

- Basketball
- Basketball players
- Coaching (Athletics)
- Employees

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they were working on it Rex, Diddle's red Irish setter escaped. They didn't notice until ready to start. Hunted for hours, finally found him pointing a covey of quail. Says plans for new field-house have been abandoned for the moment.

Henry Cherry Papers 58 - Diddle, E.A. Story 1938

Special Correspondence - Porter Hines

Porter Hines to Bruce Dudley, Courier-Journal, Feb. 3, 1938 - E.A. Diddle and Rex Myers went bird hunting last December. Since birds were reported plentiful, they took no meat. But 1st day they got only 1 bird - not enough for breakfast.

"Rex said, 'Well, I will tell you what let's do, the one who dreams the prettiest dream tonight gets the quail.'

"Next morning Rex woke Ed and said, 'I dreamed the prettiest dream' - Ed said, 'What was it.' Rex said he dreamed the angels came down from heaven and carried him up in a basket. Ed said, 'Yes, I saw you going and thought you might not be back so I got up and ate the quail myself.'"

College Heights Herald, March 18, 1938 - Diddle, E.A. 1938 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3794

3 On Wednesday, March 10 citizens of Bowling Green presented Coach Diddle with a new car. "Speechless, deprived of his tossable towel, Uncle Ed couldn't find the proper words in his vocabulary for a gift like that."

College Heights Herald, March 10, 1939 - Diddle, E.A. 1939 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3805

3 Column "The Payoff with Pay" pays tribute to E.A. Diddle on the guiding hand to great record. "The wet towel flying ceilingward from the hands of Coach Diddle as a token of exultation has long since become and [sic] institution wherever the Hilltoppers perform."

College Heights Herald, March 14, 1941 - Diddle, E.A. 1941 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3837

10 Reporter sat behind Mr. E.A. Diddle at recent SIAA game & took down what he said. Reports his tossing his towel, as well as his comments. About 10 seconds before end, Ed Stansbury gripped "Uncle Ed" around the waist and shouted, "It's ours!" . . . "they put on the most thrilling of spring dances that your reporter has ever witnessed."

11 Article on E.A. Diddle by Mark Sisk. E.A. Diddle and Bo McMillen were teammates at Centre College 1917, 1919, 1920. E.A. Diddle was blocking back for Bo McMillen. E.A. Diddle then coached at Greenville High School. In Feb. 1922 he brought his team to Bowling Green for district tournament. Story is that they made part of trip in a road wagon. Lost in semi-finals, but Adairville team was without a coach, so he coached them to victory in the finals. E.A. Diddle impressed President Henry Cherry, and in August 1922 Henry Cherry hired him. Until 1925 E.A. Diddle coached football, baseball and basketball. Swede Anderson came to help. In 1927 E.A. Diddle was made athletic director and head coach of basketball and baseball. Gave up athletic director when present coach came to WKU. Has won 243, lost 89 in 19 years. Has won 60 of 66 tournament games. "Coach Diddle goes on the system of psychology and superstition in his coaching . . . He never gives a boy up and never loses confidence in any of his players. He believes that good will prevail." When he enters dressing room with one finger in the air it means "all quiet." He always leaves the dressing room last. Boys can not go on the floor until they've given joint handshake. Must have towel in his hands. Put chalk marks on floor to show 2 forwards how far he wanted them to break. Marks were left & troubled opposing coaches.

College Heights Herald, March 28, 1941 - Diddle, E.A., Honored 1941 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3843

1 Bowling Green businessmen were to honor E.A. Diddle & team at today's chapel. E.A. Diddle was to receive handsome set of luggage, suit, overcoat & liberal supply of towels. Bill-folds for players with "SIAA Champions, 1941." W.L. Matthews of Bowling Green Business University presented.

College Heights Herald, Feb. 25, 1944 - Diddle, E.A. 1944 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4507

1 Collier's carried article on E.A. Diddle in Feb. 26 issue. (Look had one less than 2 months earlier.) E.A. Diddle was called "Calamity from Kentucky."

6 E.A. Diddle: "Yep, I'm a calamity all right, and I'm going somewhere to happen." Article: ". . . a man who wins with the delight of a boy who finds a ten-dollar bill under an old tomato can, and loses with the wry pleasure of one who steps on a rake in the dark."

Andrews, Robert. "Calamity" - Diddle, E.A. 1944

27 In his 22 seasons, he has won 283 and lost 93 scheduled games. In tournaments 80-14. In last 76, his record is 70-6.

(293-93)

(80-14)

((total) 363 - 107 = 72.2%)

Took year to get to New York City. E.A. Diddle: "It was a shame we couldn't get up there when we had Carlisle (Big Boy) Towery. He was six feet five and weighed 209 and was so fast you couldn't keep an eye on him. He was the greatest college player that ever lived, and all those poor New York people missed him."

"If they can shoot and if they have big hands and big feet, I take 'em."

College Heights Herald, March 21, 1947 - Diddle, E.A. 1947 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4553

1 EA. Diddle came to WKU on Sept. 1 1922 to become athletic director & the entire Physical Education department. Says he coached football, basketball, girls' basketball, track, baseball - he coached them all. "We used an old barn (located behind the present Cherry Hall) as a gymnasium. The gym was heated by two stoves situated at either end of the large barn-like structure. Had to start firing those stoves forty-five minutes before each game to heat the gym." In 25 years his record (basketball?) is 401-129. Regular season: 314-114. Tournament: 87-15. In last 84 tournament games, 77-7. Born in Gradyville. To Centre College in 1915. Navy 1917-1919. Centre. Captain of basketball team. Blocking back for Bo McMillin in 1917, 1919, 1920. Coached at Monticello, Greenville.

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7 E.A. Diddle says it would be impossible to try to name his greatest team. Until 1942, Toppers played deliberate style offense. He moved to fast-break in 1942 and 1943 team really opened up. Of 1947 bench, E.A. Diddle said: "The 1947 team is one of the grandest fives I ever coached. It had speed, height, and most of all determination. It was the best-trained and conditioned team of all time. No team outran us this year. I never saw a better bunch of ball-handlers." Said Dee Gibson and Odie Spears are as good as any players in nation; Don Ray, Chalmers Embry, John Oldham, Oren McKinney could make any ball club in the country. Will lose Chalmers Embry, Paul Champion, George Heller. Towel. "The gym used to be so hot that I would dampen a towel with cold water before the game and hold it against my face to cool me off." During a close game, unable to bear watching, E.A. Diddle buried his face in the towel. Then started using it more & more.

College Heights Herald, May 16, 1947 - Diddle, E.A. - to Leave? 1947 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4549
 1 Late word as College Heights Herald goes to press is that Coach E.A. Diddle has decided to remain at WKU. Professional team in Louisville had offered \$8,000 per year for 5 years to become their coach. He was approached about a month ago. He will receive an automatic raise in salary at WKU in Sept. Believed that he delayed decision because salary raise was less than desired & because it would not take effect at once. Club had bonus offers that would reach \$3,000 or more.

May 30, 1947 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4563
 2 Editorial At press conference held in Paul Garrett's office 11 a.m. Friday May 16, E.A. Diddle announced that he would remain at WKU. "The reaction to his decision was an uninhibited sigh of relief by his many admirers."
 "It strains the imagination to picture a Western ball club with 'the man with the towel.'"

Courier-Journal 5/17/1947 - Diddle, E.A. 1947
 E.A. Diddle has rejected offer to coach the Louisville pro basketball team The Louisville Dads(?) are reported to have offered \$8000 a year for 5 years + bonus clause. E.A. Diddle has won 401, lost 129.

Earl Clements Papers: Box 291 - Diddle, E.A. - Influence 1949
 Ed Diddle Speech
 Speech at Ed Diddle Dinner, Bowling Green, March 8, 1949 - "There is no measure for the amount of character a man builds in another man. There is no yardstick for the strength of citizenship a man encourages in another. We have no gauge to calculate a man's success in developing the personalities of those he leads and of those who are devoted to him and emulate him and who seek to become what he can inspire them to be.
 "To look at Kentucky's citizens today is to find a cross-section of the handiwork of Coach Ed Diddle."

WKU - Notecards - Diddle, Edgar Allen, 1895-1970 - 1951-1958

Includes cards:
 Diddle, E.A. Coach
 Diddle, E.A. Honored
 Diddle, E.A. III
 Diddle, E.A. Story

College Heights Herald, March 9, 1951 - Diddle, E.A., Story - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2841/
 6 Bert Borrone in his Daily News column told of a discussion concerning a tall prospect from northern Kentucky. "But how tall is he, Ed?" asked a listener, well aware of Diddle's fondness for height.
 "Why, by golly," exclaimed Ed lifting his hand about eight inches above his head and gesturing, "He comes up to here on me!"

College Heights Herald, Oct. 17, 1952 - Diddle, E.A., III - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2863/
 1 Coach E.A. Diddle had 2 heart attacks within 13 hours on Tuesday, Oct. 13 and was rushed to Bowling Green hospital at 12:20 p.m. Under oxygen, no visitors. Condition is serious but not critical. He had probably had another serious one sometime during the summer.

College Heights Herald, April 3, 1953 - Diddle, E.A. - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2883/
 11 Story about Basketball Appreciation Dinner indicated that E.A. Diddle was ill during NIT and Ted Hornback directed the team. E.A. Diddle: "There will be another year and I intend to win that NIT championship if I have to live to be 90." Praised Ted Hornback highly. Pointed out tough schedule & that 20 of 31 games were away from home.

Courier-Journal Magazine, 1/31/1954 - Diddle, Ed
 Joe Creason article on him.

College Heights Herald, May 21, 1954 - Diddle, E.A. Honored - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2890/
 10 Ed Diddle has been voted into the Helms Athletic Foundation Hall of Fame at Los Angeles. Nominations made after he won his 600th game, all at WKU. (Now 612 - 193 in 33 years.) It includes only 25 coaches.

College Heights Herald, Jan. 18, 1957 - Diddle, E.A. Coach - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2935/
 2 Article on him in Saturday Evening Post, Jan. 19, 1957 issue.

1951-1958

Basketball
 Basketball players
 Coaching (Athletics)
 Employees
 Banquets
 Speeches, addresses, etc.

Title Description	Date Subjects
<p>Russell, Fred. <i>Winningest - Diddle, E.A.</i> 36 Starting his 34th season, he is 646-215. Second only to retired Phog Allen, 771-233. 74 E.A. Diddle is famous for his tangled expressions "pussyfoot willow." 75 ". . . easygoing, sad-eyed man with the dead-center part and the country walk . . . " "Attack is our stock in trace . . . you don't even need a ply if you get a half-step start on the opposing team." If fast break isn't working, uses single post offense if he has a big, agile boy. "I don't believe in rotating players on the post. Why waste a good, big boy in the outcourt if you can get him under the basket right off the red(?)?" But without such a center in recent years he has used the "whirl" offense with everyone moving into the center. Says it's more dangerous to have too many good players than too few. Uses man-to-man defense. 78 "If you can't understand that, it's just lack of experience on you part." Diddle's Dorm - after WWII. Says 12 room annex was added for Air Force trainees. Freshmen must be in by 8:30 & varsity by 9:30 except on weekends. Sophomore who wasn't rebounding properly in practice: "All right, all right, keep doing it all afternoon. You'll either do it the way I tell you, or you'll do it right." He says he isn't going to retire soon. "No, sir, I'm going to die with my feet on."</p> <p>College Heights Herald, March 8, 1957 - Diddle, E.A. Story - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2932/ 12 John Oldham was speaker at Jaycee Sports Appreciation Banquet. Ted Hornback: "He was acting a little uppity for a freshman, so Coach Ed Diddle told me to have a little talk with him. I conceded that he wasn't getting to play much, but that if his attitude was right there would come a night when he could win a game for us." That game came, Ted Hornback said, in KIAC final in 1942 against Morehead State University when John Oldham's play in final 10 minutes won the game. "Coach Diddle then brought down the house." "I think Ted had better have another talk with Johnny right now," he said. "He's acting awful uppity again down at Tech."</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Feb. 14, 1958 - Diddle, E.A. Honored - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4603 1 The Kentucky Press Association has made Coach E.A. Diddle "Kentuckian of the Year" on Friday, Jan. 31 at Louisville. E.A. Diddle left by plane to catch up with the team in Oklahoma City. He did not (8) get there in time for the Oklahoma City game. Except for his heart attack in 1952, it was first time he had missed a game in 36 years.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, May 30, 1958 - Diddle, E.A. Ill - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4607 1 Coach E.A. Diddle is reported doing well at City-County Hospital after operation for removal of a kidney. He hadn't been well for several months.</p>	

WKU - Notecards - Diddle, Edgar Allen, 1895-1970 - 1960-1966

Includes cards:
Diddle, E.A. Cheerleader
Diddle, E.A. Honored
Diddle, E.A. Ill
Diddle, E.A. Retires
Diddle, E.A. Story

Creason, Joe. "You Know Diddle" = Diddle, E.A.
Started 1922
100 victories 1933
200 victories 1937
300 victories 1941
400 victories 1945
500 victories 1950
600 victories 1954
700 victories 1959

He outlaws carbonated drinks during season. He found 2 empties in a player's locker. "Don't ever let me find any more lockers in your pop bottles!"
"What is the straightest point between two lines?"
Of Oran McKinney: "He lays 'em in with either hand. He's completely amphibious!"
To freshmen: "Boys, in order that we can all get to know each other, line up against that wall alphabetically according to size."
Kelly Thompson: "He's the type who can go into the finest restaurant in New York for the first time and come out knowin ght ename and home town of every waitress - after having been shown through the place by the owner."

1960-1966

Basketball
Basketball players
Coaching (Athletics)
Employees
Dormitories
Residential facilities

Title Description	Date Subjects
Squad meeting each Monday. E.A. Diddle tells one to get a haircut, that there's been too much horseplay on campus, etc.	
College Heights Herald, March 22, 1960 - Diddle, E.A. Honored 1960 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4627 1 Coach E.A. Diddle enrolled in the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. Dinner at Manhattan Towers - over 200. Silver service presented him by Board of Regents.	
College Heights Herald, Nov. 15, 1961 - Diddle, E.A. III 1961 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2166/ 10 Coach E.A. Diddle admitted to Bowling Green Hospital on Nov. 6 for treatment of sciatic nerve condition. Earlier, he had trouble with arthritic condition in his legs.	
Dec. 13, 1961 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2168/ 10 E.A. Diddle is ill again. Dr. W.R. McCormack said combination of arthritis & gout will confine him to bed at home for next few days.	
College Heights Herald, March 28, 1962 - Diddle, E.A. Honored 1962 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2184/ 1 Coach E.A. Diddle was elected Ohio Valley Conference Coach of the Year. 40 years: 749-270 73.5%. Only losing seasons were 1929 & 1930. In 14 years of Ohio Valley Conference: won 7 season titles outright, tied 3 times. Won Ohio Valley Conference Tournament 4 times before it was ended after 1955 season.	
Kelly Thompson Papers: 16 - Diddle, E.A. 1963 Dept. of English Robert Obojski (English) to Kelly Thompson (nd, Nov. +/- 18, 1963?) - Want him to persuade E.A. Diddle to let Robert Obojski to ghost-write a book on basketball that Prentice-Hall wants done. Bert Borrone was to have done it with E.A. Diddle (contract was signed), but Bert Borrone will be happy to turn it over to Robert Obojski and will do introduction.	
Kelly Thompson to Robert Obojski, Nov. 20, 1963 - Discussed it with Coach E.A. Diddle, who just doesn't feel like it. Will consider it later.	
College Heights Herald, Nov. 6, 1963 - Diddle, E.A. III 1963 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2142 1 Coach E.A. Diddle missed practice last week with attack of gout. Entered Bowling Green hospital for observation & treatment Sunday night. Said he would be out as soon as possible.	
College Heights Herald, July 1, 1964 - Diddle, E.A. Retires 1964- https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4661 1 E.A. Diddle had hoped to get in one more year before becoming 70 in spring of 1965, but he had not recovered fully from two sever heart attacks in April and family, doctors & friends persuaded him to quit. John Oldham, Buck Sydnor (freshman) & Gene Rhodes will form the new staff.	
College Heights Herald, April 22, 1964 - Diddle, E.A. III 1964 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4657 1 E.A. Diddle suffered heart attack April 6. Was critically ill for several days, but is now better. Should be able to go home in about a week.	
Kelly Thompson Papers: 42 - Diddle, E.A. 1965 E.A. Diddle, Personal Mr. & Mrs. E.A. Diddle to Kelly Thompson, April 1, 1965 - E.A. Diddle's retirement begins July 1, 1965. If possible, they would like to remain in their present apartment for the coming school year - to be out by June 1, 1966. If necessary can vacate within 45 days.	
Kelly Thompson to Coach & Mrs. E.A. Diddle, April 3, 1965 - Says it can be done unless something unforeseen prevents it.	
Memo: Dero Downing Vice President to Kelly Thompson, May 11, 1965 - Says portrait presented on night of dedication of Diddle Arena has been re-done by the artist "and is not too bad." Recommends it be hung in W Club Room. Recommends that we decline offer of Mr. Lane(?) to hang out portrait of Coach E.A. Diddle anywhere on campus. (Bad?)	
Dero Downing to Mr. & Mrs. E.A. Diddle, March 25, 1966 - Notifies them that college must begin work on converting the building no later than June 15. Is delighted by Coach's improved health.	
Dero Downing, Dean Business Affairs to E.A. Diddle, Athletic Director, July 22, 1964 - Regents met in Louisville yesterday & Board was pleased to accept plan President Kelly Thompson proposed. He reviewed situation with them from time you made application last spring for immediate retirement. You would have drawn \$353.92 from Teachers Retirement. That & Social Security would have amounted to \$6,403.44 for you & Mrs. Diddle. When President Kelly Thompson learned you would benefit greatly by another year. You & he agreed to an annual salary to give you a net income equal to what you would have received in retirement pay; it would be (gross) \$8,074. But President Kelly Thompson recommended to Board full salary of \$11,208 they "approved wholeheartedly." Is pleased it has worked out so well for you. Extra year will help a great deal.	
Kelly Thompson to E.A. Diddle, July 23, 1964 - Delighted matters could be worked at as Dean Dero Downing has explained. "I explained to the Board that your position within the College framework during the coming year would entail no duties and no responsibilities other than those assigned directly to you from time to	

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time by the President of the College . . . these assignments will be rare and of such nature that cannot possibly jeopardize your health." Mr. Ted Hornback has arranged for you to occupy same office during next year.

Memo: Kelly Thompson to Harry Largen, Aug. 8, 1966 - Authorizes honorarium to Mr. E.A. Diddle of \$25 per month, Sept. 1, 1966 through May 31, 1967 and same to Mrs. Diddle. Both are for services in connection with the girls' dorm at 1529 State Street.

Kelly Thompson to Harry Largen, Sept. 10, 1966 - Hold them until dorm is occupied.

Kelly Thompson to Harry Largen, Jan. 27, 1967 - Paid them for Feb - May, 1967.

Kelly Thompson to Harry Largen, Sept. 9, 1967 - Authorizes \$25 to each for Sept. 1, 1967 - May 31, 1968.

Kelly Thompson to Harry Largen, Aug. 26, 1968 - Same (\$25 each per month), Sept. 1, 1968 through May 31, 1968 [1969].

Kelly Thompson to Mr. E.A. Diddle, June 18, 1969 - Will issue him honorarium of \$50 per month & Mrs. Diddle \$25. Thinks you can plan to remain there "for some time to come."

College Heights Herald, Dec. 8, 1966 - Diddle, E.A. - Cheerleader 1966 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4695
 7 Tells how cheering was aroused at Vanderbilt game. "But the revival of the 'ole Western spirit' at the Vandy game was certainly aided by the greatest cheerleader any university could ever have - Coach Ed Diddle.
 "When Mr. Diddle ambled over to the student section, red towel in hand, bedlam broke out.
 "As he led Topper fans in a thundering cheer, several red towels in the crowd answered his waving red one."
 Calls for WKU to use the red towel - which is unique here.

College Heights Herald, Dec. 8, 1966 - Diddle, E.A. Story - http://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4695
 13 Says that E.A. Diddle was trying to explain something to a Nashville reporter after the Vanderbilt game. "I've told you three times and if you don't understand by now, it's your own lack of ignorance and no fault of mine."

WKU - Notecards - Diddle, Edgar Allen, 1895-1970 - 1970-1979

Includes cards:
 Diddle, E.A. Death
 Diddle, E.A. Diddle vs Son
 Diddle, E.A. Dies
 Diddle, E.A. In Memoriam
 Diddle, E.A. Record
 Diddle, E.A. Tape

Daily News, Jan. 2, 1970 - Diddle Dies 1970
 Coach E.A. Diddle died at City-County Hospital at age 74 on Jan. 2, 1970. Record was 759-302. Only coach ever to coach over 1,000 games at same school. 3 severe heart attacks in 1952. There returned to win 200 more games before retiring in 1964. Says "Diddle's Dorm" started in 1945.

Courier-Journal, Jan. 3, 1970
 Entered hospital Dec. 14. Dr. W.R. McCormack said that it was at least his 12th heart attack.
 E.A. Diddle: "there is nothing that gives me more of a thrill than taking some country kid who is flat-footed, walks like he is following a plow, doesn't know much about basketball, except that the ball is round, and making something out of him."

Gordon Wilson Diaries, Jan. 6, 1970 - Diddle, E.A.
 E.A. Diddle's death ends an era - "a type of devotion to one's work as if it were indeed the only possible one. Nothing could have attracted Ed away from here; in fact, nothing could have hog-tied and bodily have taken him away. This was his place."
 Few in his early days would have predicted what he accomplished. "The best of his friend will have to admit that his intellectual powers were only fairly good, that he somehow never learned the so-called ease of social life, that he literally never grew up. There was always about him something of the boyish enthusiasms that we associate with actual adolescents." He proved "that a persistent devotion to one's work will ultimately pay rich dividends."
 ". . . he had all the makings of a folk hero; in fact, it is already hard to disentangle the quaint Ed Diddle from the slightly-mystical one, the user of quaint expressions, the soft ---, and the red towel . . . Something very fine and not ever to be replaced died with him, a remnant of the old-fashioned, d--- who became, even while living, a legend and a symbol."

Senate Journal, Jan. 6, 1970 - Ed Diddle, In Memoriam 1970
 35-36 SR8 - A Resolution to adjourn the Senate of the Commonwealth of Kentucky on Tuesday January 6, 1970, in memory of Edgar A. Diddle, and expressing

1970-1979
 Basketball
 Basketball players
 Coaching (Athletics)
 Reminiscing

sympathy to his family. Introduced, moved for adoption, and agreed.

House Journal Jan. 7, 1970 - Diddle, Edgar Allen 1970
 64 HR5 - A Resolution recognizing and commemorating the honors and prominence bestowed upon Kentucky by Edgar Allen Diddle. Introduced.
 81 Jan. 8 HR5 - Referred to State Government
 99 Jan. 13 HR5 - Clerk announced it posted for consideration
 109 Jan. 14 HR5 - Reported by Committee on State Government with the opinion it should pass. First Reading
 123 Jan. 16 HR5 - Posted for passage in the Orders of the Day. Taken from the Orders and moved to be placed upon its passage. Agreed.

College Heights Herald, Jan. 9, 1970 - Diddle, E. A. Dies - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4930
 1 Coach Ed Diddle died last Friday after suffering his 12th heart attack in mid-December. He was 74. Rev. H. Franklin Paschall: "If basketball is ever played in heaven, you can bet that Ed Diddle will wind up as coach."
 E.A. Diddle had close supervision over & contacts with his players. "When you come down to that pinch, you've got to have something in reserve or you're lost. I go into a boy's home and meet his family and study his background before I offer him a scholarship. I haven't made a mistake yet."
 8 Offense: "Attack is our stock-in-trade. You don't need a play if you get a half-step start on the opposing team."
 4 Ed Diddle: "'People can't forget my funny-looking face,' he once said. No they won't forget his funny-looking face soon - or the man behind it. His records were outstanding, but they meant little when compared with the disposition of the man that went with them. It is likely that college basketball will never see his like or equal again. It is simply too much to ask in this age of sophistication. He was one in many lifetimes."
 "To say that we will miss him is trite. But his epitaph should bespeak the simplest and greatest honor a man can receive: he was loved."

Western Alumnus 38:4 Summer 1970 - Diddle, E.A. Death
 4-8 Number of pictures & brief comments about E.A. Diddle. He died Jan. 2, 1970.
 4 42 seasons all at Western 759:302 32 championships in KIAC, SIAA, OVC
 5 18 years won 20 or more - 10 in a row, 1934-43. 8 teams in NIT 3 teams in NCAA 13 All American players 16 players who went to pro ball.

Athletics: 19 - Diddle, E.A. Record
 Rosters through 1971
 [Type] - Wins - Losses - Percentage
 Regular Season - 628 - 253 - .713
 Tournament - 131 - 49 - .728
 Total - 759 - 302 - .715

But look at last years:
 Year - Win - Loss
 1954-55 - 18 - 10
 1955-56 - 16 - 12
 1956-57 - 17 - 9
 1957-58 - 14 - 11
 1958-59 - 16 - 10
 1959-60 - 21 - 7
 1960-61 - 18 - 8
 1961-62 - 17 - 10
 1962-63 - 5 - 16
 1963-64 - 5 - 16
 [total] - 147 - 109 - 57.4 (Check figures on calculator).

If one eliminated the last 10 years from his overall record:
 759 - 302 = 71.5%
 147 - 109
 612 - 193 = 76%

For tournaments
 131 - 49 = 72.8%
 -last ten years 15 - 17
 116 - 32 = 78.4%

Tournament play
 Year - W - L
 1954-55 - 2 - 2

Title Description	Date Subjects
<p>1955-56 - 3 - 2 1956-57 - 2 - 1 1957-58 - 1 - 2 1958-59 - 0 - 0 1959-60 - 4 - 1 1960-61 - 2 - 3 1961-62 - 1 - 4 1962-63 - 0 - 0 1963-64 - 0 - 2 15 - 17 - 46.9%</p>	
<p>Western Alumnus 43:2 Winter 1973-74 - Diddle, E.A. Mrs. Overby & Mrs. Thompson often chaperoned girl cheerleaders on trips. Mrs. Overby recalled of Coach E.A. Diddle: "He didn't allow the basketball players to socialize with the cheerleaders and fans after the games, but on one particular occasion, we were too tired to even leave the hotel for something to eat. I asked one of the players to bring some hamburgers to the room, and when we thought we heard Mr. Diddle, I threw the boy in the closet."</p>	
<p>James Poteet Interview - Diddle, Ed - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/883 Fine person - unique. He finished his degree at WKU long after James Poteet came.</p>	
<p>James Poteet Interview, May 26, 1976 - Diddle, E.A. - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/883 17 Carlton Jackson: Tell me what Ed Diddle was like in those days. James Poteet: Well, there was just one Ed Diddle. A very find person but a-he a-most unique. He finished his degree after he came here. Well, he finished it long after I came here. He played football at Centre but completed his undergraduate work at Western long after he had been here as a coach and-a-probably and the red towel didn't come into being until I don't know when, but it wasn't in vogue when I came here but that developed at a later time. I don't know just when, but he began to wave the red towel. I was very fond of Ed. But he could make more cracks. The first time I ever really was with him we were going to KEA at Louisville, and five of were in the car and Ed entertained us by telling things in a way, for instance he was telling about somebody who committed suicide on himself and he's know for those Diddle cracks. CJ: "Diddleisms" JP: "Diddleisms?" CJ: Uh-huh. Can you remember any more? JP: Well, not a-he said that to his basketball players one time, "You'd bounce that ball backwards." And he was giving many of them - he'd go in and they held hands; presumably a little prayer before moving onto the field and he said, "Now get the hell in there and play the game." But sincere, but a-I remember one time in history, he had this well-known bird dog Rex - and Rex several times came into my class when I was giving a quiz he'd go back in the back of the room and go to sleep . . . And then when students began coming up handing me a paper, Rex came up and looked up at me just as if to say, "I have none." And walk out with it. Never leave during the class period. Come in and go back and go to sleep. Ed was very fond of old Rex. He took him hunting and when he [got] home he forgot to let him out of the trunk of the car and he missed him for I think a day and a half. Didn't know where he was. And finally somebody said, "I think I hear something." And he opened up the trunk of the car and he got out, and Ed said to him, "Rex, where in the hell have you been?" So he was that type of an individual. He always said that the boys played by ear. He was one of those people you can't tell, I mean, you just have to know him. Nobody can tell you much about any of us.</p>	
<p>Ted Hornback Interview 11/4/1976 - Diddle, E.A. - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/879 Lowell Harrison: We've heard a great deal, of course, in recent years about all the problems of recruiting basketball players and other athletes. Did you have any contact with Mr. Diddle, for example, before coming to Western? Ted Hornback: Only his officiating. He refereed many of our ball games, and I can remember him at the half entertaining the people by standing out in the center of the floor and shooting baskets. He wouldn't hit the basket, but he would hit the backboard, and they thought that was great because he was so strong. And he would come down in the dressing room and look at us sitting around puffing and panting and he's say, "Wait'll I get ya down to Western." Said, "I'll get ya in better shape than that." So, we didn't have much idea of going anywhere but Western.</p>	
<p>TH: . . . I know Dr. Cherry used to tell us, used to tell Mr. Diddle way back in the olden days, "Don't you ever take the team away from this campus and walk off the floor." Said, "If you're playing in the other man's back yard, play by his rules if you have to." And Mr. Diddle said, "Yes, and when they come back to my place, we'll play by my rules." We said, "What are you going to do to them, Mr. Diddle?" He said, "We'll kill them with kindness."</p>	
<p>Crawford Crowe: When you were a student and playing ball under Coach Diddle, did he teach a class like administration or coaching or the training of coaching TH: He taught a basketball coaching class, yes, and he was supposed to teach an activiity or two, but when I was in school, I had to teach that class for him, see. I always - he'd say, "Ted, I want you to me my class." He said, "I'm going to be busy." And I would teach class. But he did teach a class called Basketball Coaching.</p>	
<p>TH: Oh yes. He was a great performer. He would introduce his basketball squad and entertain the faculty by his introductions. Sometimes he would forget the player's name, but he would cover up pretty well. He would say, "Tell 'em who you are and where you're from. What you name is." And he would often say, "I want you to stand up and remain seated until I've introduced you all, and then you give 'em some applause." And they got a big kick out of that.</p>	

TH: Crawford, I wasn't head of the Athletic Department for 18 years; I was head of the Physical Education Department for 18 years, and I was Athletic Director for 7 years after Mr. Diddle retired. You've heard probably many stories and different stories about the red towel. The first towel that Mr. Diddle pitched up was not a red towel; it was a white towel. When I became head of the Phys. Ed. Department we started purchasing the red towel in Phys. Ed. Department so that we could distinguish between the towels used in the Athletic Department and the Physical Education Department, but they liked the red color so well, that Mr. Diddle would usually ask for three or four towels to take out to the bench, and he would pitch those up - pitch one, see, during the game. And, finally, we quit using the white towel at all and started using the red towel. And since then, of course, that has been something that's been very important to the spirit of our athletic teams.

Ed Stansbury Interview, November 5, 1976 - Diddle, E.A. - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/888

19 Ed Stansbury: Well, my first contact with Mr. Diddle was at freshmen basketball practice in the fall of '26 and there must have been 75 or 100 boys out there. Very soon after we started, he picked out several of us to talk to us and I was one of 'em. He wanted to know where I was from, what I was doing, what kind of job I had - everybody had a job then, you know. Well, he said, you come down and see me tomorrow and I did an drom that day until he died, I probably was as close to him as any man. Even though - when I left, I was still in contact with him a lot, but some of the things that I remember about him - he was th emost loyal person that I've ever known. He had strength of character about him that we don't find in people today and if he believed in you, you could do no wrong so long as you did not let him down by doing something too many times that you shouldn't do. I don't know why he took an interest in me, bu the took the same interest in a lot of boys. Kelly Thompson is a good example. Dero Downing is another one. And a lot fo these boys, Dee [Gibson] and the folks around here can tell ya the same thing about him. But once you let him down and he felt reasonably sure that you didn't have the makings, he didn't have much more to do with you. He was friend to everybody. He simply would not let anyone take advantage of you if you were one of his boys. He was an individual that sometimes got his words mixed up and I think many times it was by design and not accident. I remember one story. When I came back out of the service I was trying to do everything I could to please him because he, you know, the man had given his life to this place. He wasn't muc for organization but I thought well, somehow if I could do what I though would pacify him and at the same time do what I though ought to be done, we can make this thing to. So, I decided I would call him "Chief," well, somebody told him that the chief was th elowest military guy. The fact about it a chief in the Navy is a pretty high ranking person. He's like a master sergeant in the Army and he told me one day, "Stansbury, don't you call me 'Chief' anymore." But there are many, many stories that have been told about him. Things he's said. I remember one time we were going down to Florida to play in the holiday season, came over a hill and he hit a woman. Woman was carrying a two-gallon pail of milk and he was the worst driver in the world but got by with it somehow all his life. But, he hit this pail; that milk went everywhere and he decided he decided he better go back. Went back and the woman - she was just upset about the milk and he said, "Lady, there's no use crying over spilled milk." All these stories - well, he was something. Anyway, when I came back in the summer of 19-

James Bennett: On our first tape we just got into your discussion of your association with Coach Diddle and Dee Gibson suggested one of the areas we ought to explore is the recruiting methods which were used then. Perhaps, you would talk about that for a while.

ES: The thing you have to remember is that most of the recruits in the early days came from Kentucky and they came from pretty much close by and Mr. Diddle had a habit of, on a Friday night - he'd get in his car and visit these high schools. Sit in the audience and watch 'em play and he had a faculty about him of picking - he could see in boys, plain ol' country boys - that weren't very well skilled. He could see int hese boys a possibility with a little training what would happen. And I think this was one of the very fine characteristics - the ability to pick people that would mature into being a good basketball player. But the recruiting was primarily going out himself and sitting through ball games and watching boys play. Now once he found an individual he thought had possibilities, he would go visit the parents and assure their parents that this young man was going to be a good basketball player and that he, Mr. Diddle, if he came to Western, would see that he did what he was supposed to in the way of his books, grades, going to school, going to class, and he meant just exactly what he told those parents. That he would and he did look after 'em. Even to the point many times of getting 'em jobs or seeing they got some money from - if they needed money. Any difficulty in their classes, Mr. Diddle'd go to talk to the instructor. He never asked the instructor to give 'em anything, but he wanted to make sure that he - Mr. Diddle - could do something. That the boy could do something or maybe the teacher could do something that would help the boy in his classes. His main concern was that the boy would graduate and go out in the community or go somewhere and do whatever he wanted to do and make a living. He was, as Dee had indicated, a very strict disciplinarian. Absolutely. There was one way and one way only to do this an dthat was the right way in his opinion. And he ws big enough and rugged enough to enforce it if it became necessary and in some cases, some minor cases, it resulted in physical combat. And Mr. Diddle was always the winner, perhaps loser. He was a hard taskmaster. He meant exactly what he said and he was always able to get the best of these boys and I've seen 'em so mad at him that they would commit hari-kari if they thought they would get by with it but at the same time, the greatest respect for him. Now this was very unusual and there aren't many coaches that have this sort of relationship with their players then or today. But he did have this very unusual characteristic of being a tough taskmaster and have the boys like him, really love him, really. And the students felt the same way about him. He had that personality that somehow just seemed to relate with people, even the opponents. Some of our bitterest rivals: Murray, Eastern liked him. He had another faculty that most people today probably don't recall or don't - weren't able to pick up: he knew better than anybody how much coaching a group could take and at what point would what he called "play by ear." They call it now fast break and all this sort of thing. Just sort of you give 'em the fundamentals and watch 'em develop and at a certain point they're ready for coaching again. Most - a lot of coaches over-coach; he never did that. He had another characteristic, he ha d a number of assistants during the years. When I came along, I never felt - I never once felt that he was in any way was throttling me in what I was attempting to do in the way of helping him and I think Ted Hornback will tell ya the same thing and if Bob Francis ws here, he'd tell ya the same thing. He gave each of us an opportunity to experiment with whatever we thought would work and he would support us to the end. There have been many stories told about freshmen. We usually had 150, 200 freshmen come out. A lot of whom he had talked to and there would be some little something come up between the freshman player and the freshman coach and the boy would go to Mr. Diddle and tell him that he wasn't getting to play enough and Mr. Diddle always said, "Look, you get along with him or you don't get along with me." So, there never was any question even with the faculty or with the president or with the dean, his assistants or other students. He was always out there in front trying his best to take care of his boys. And this was one of his very strong points. But to go back to recruiting in those days, it was not done in a very scientific manner. There was no way as they have today in setting up scales and objectives and various ways of measuring abilities of people. It was his idea, his laone, as to whether or not so-and-so might make a basketball player and one of the other things -

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you know, in those days, Paul Gallico and a number of these very successful basketball coaches had books on techniques and the principles that had to be applied and coaching and certain things that boys had to do to be successful and I remember very distinctly we go some boys in here from the country that did not come to a stop and shoot with two hands. They were country boys shooting with one hand, back to the basket and all this sort of thing and one of the first things that he said, "Don't change 'em. Don't - to hell with it. Just let 'em go like they want to go." And he would encourage them to continue whatever skills they had but he never attempted to apply some of the basic principles that Paul Gallico and some of these people had written as being the must items and I've just mentioned a couple of them.

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27 Ed Stansbury; No, I would like to say in closing that no man has had more influence over men than Mr. Diddle and there are thousands of boys who can tell you the same thing. It just so happened that somehow I hit a spark with him and got where I was able to come back here and work with him. But everything he did and I mean everything he did from the time I came 'til I left, I was pretty much with him. On all the scouting trips. All the visits. I was with him and I knew his pains. Knew his sad moments. I knew his happy moments. I just knew - I knew everything about him and he trusted me as he did a lot of other people. But he caused me to go get my master's. He caused me to work on my doctorate. He was the one person that told me when I got the greater commission in 1947, "Stansbury, you better take it. I hate to see you go." And he cried. He always was very emotional. Very emotional, as Dee'll [Gibson] tell ya. Big tears. He said, "I don't want you to go but it's your opportunity." So it was that kind of relationship, you see. I had no reason to do some of the things I did except the influence of him and anytime I came back, he'd meet me and we'd go somewhere and spend the weekend. No big do just get out, ride around in the car, talk about nothing really just be together. He - I respected him and he respected me. Didn't have in those days - we didn't have the responsibility for the input of the requirements as you probably have today. In those days, if you used \$300,000 this year you may get 300,000 next year. And this was very, very much controlled in Frankfort and you never got a whole lot more than your sister school but as I recall there was very little justification at this end as to what you needed in this way. You know, trying to justify requirements. And in those days also there was no direct support of athletes in terms of scholarships. But the - in the budget as a line item there were ways of getting around it like you worked in the dining room over here for your meals and you fired a furnace down in the furnace for your board and so on and whatever extra cash you got, you probably worked on campus or you worked downtown in a store or maybe some cigarette company would provide meals for you. Like they did at the Helm Hotel for a couple of boys. Once they got into the junior year and they got a little more sophisticated would borrow money from College Heights or that local bank or whatever and I know many times Mr. Diddle went on a note and sometimes he'd pay 'em.

College Heights Herald, Oct. 27, 1977 - Diddle, E.A. - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5462/

Story on Ted Hornback, storyteller.

C13 Says when E.A. Diddle was made Kentuckian of the Year they urged E.A. Diddle to thank people who made it possible. One day he called one of them: "im going to accept this great honor with a great amount of animosity."

Jim Pickens Interview - Diddle, E.A.

(Lee Robertson: Judge Bennett from C---, father of Jim Bennett, attended Normal School. "intellectual giants" - Judge was 84 last Sunday.)

Jim Pickens: Out of service in 1947. Was running skating rink in Princeton in summer 1947. University of Kentucky, Alabama(?) or Louisville were his choices. E.A. Diddle came to see him - "deep, sad eyes." & Coach Jess Thomas. E.A. Diddle made tremendous impression. Could he play basketball? Rebuilding football. Had heard of E.A. Diddle & WKU, but first time he had ever seen him. At Dad's Day, E.A. Diddle stood in for Jim Pickens' dead father at half of football game.

Lee Robertson: When E.A. Diddle was enshrined in Hall of Fame after E.A. Diddle's death. Eddie Diddle made the statement about his dad, had the audience in tears. "He left me life and the key to living."

JP: E.A. Diddle was only one who could holler at you; he'd fight for you otherwise.

LR: Unequaled in ability to inspire the players.

JP: You played for HIM - to please him, for him to say "Good ballgame, way to hang in there." Never wanted to embarrass him. But team played many tricks on him.

LR: E.A. Diddle heard what he wanted to hear.

JP: Story of big breakfast - signed the name of --- freshman(?) on the higher bills. E.A. Diddle "No win, no eat." After losing a doubleheader to Murray.

LR: E.A. Diddle was more relaxed coaching baseball than basketball.

LR: E.A. Diddle would forget signals, would quiz players to find out what they were.

LR: E.A. Diddle & Ted Hornback were unequalled in coaching.

LR: Might confuse words, but he was intelligent. Good philosophy of life.

JP: E.A. Diddle had great knowledge of dates - where he was on a specific date. And good memory for names & people. He had friends everywhere.

JP: Strongest man he ever knew.

LR: E.A. Diddle put WKU on the map all over the country.

JP: E.A. Diddle had the rallying fame. "He was WKU for a long, long time." Stops at his grave often to pay respects. Seems to hear him say: "Where you been, Jim? You haven't been by for some time."

Dero Downing Interview, 4-3-1978 - Diddle, E.A. - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/696

Dero Downing believes E.A. Diddle "was the greatest basketball coach that ever coached." L--- Loyal. Supported the school. "Coach had a great ability to take a bunch of fellows and make them play better than they knew how to play." "Mr. Diddle wanted very much for me to bin this position that I am in as president of Western." ". . . Mr. Diddle, if anything, was more colorful in baseball than he was in basketball." "And he would get everything in the world mixed up on whether you were giving a bunt signed or a steal sign or whatever, but he would beat you just as sure as the world."

Louise Diddle Interview, - Diddle vs Son - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/694

What was her reaction when husband & son (Middle Tennessee State State University) had their 1st game. "Oh, it was awful. I know that the first time they went down there, I told them I wasn't going to go. So, I put on a funny-looking hat and a big coat and pulled it all over my shoulders, and I sat up in the bleachers. I didn't think that Ed or Eddie would know I was there. So, Eddie looked up there, and he said, 'Hi, Mom! How are you?'"

Diddle, E.A.

See story in Homecoming College Heights Herald, filed under Herald 10/25/1979 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5589

College Heights Herald, Oct. 25, 1979 - Diddle Tape - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5589

8A 9A Story about tape Bob Cochran made (15A) with E.A. Diddle in preparation for doing a book on him. It was in 1969 & E.A. Diddle died shortly afterwards. Bob Cochran died in 1971.

14A Some quotations.

15A Says E.A. Diddle mentioned time Henry Cherry was arrested in Louisville but doesn't explain why.

WKU - Notecards - Diddle, Edgar Allen, 1895-1970 - 1984

Includes cards:

Diddle, E.A. Story

Raymond Cravens Interview, 11/20/1984 - Diddle, E.A. Story - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/1983

Raymond Cravens was watching scrimmage when a player got in for uncontested basket. E.A. Diddle stopped play, went out to Richard White, a guard: "God damn, why weren't you guarding that man?" Richard White: "But Mr. Diddle, he was on my side." E.A. Diddle shook hands with Richard White and said, "Play Ball!"

Gardiner, Harvey. Coach Diddle - Diddle

2 Born at Gradyville (Edgar Allen), March 12, 1895. Prosperous farm family.

9 Moved to Adairville in Logan County in 1913. Ed stayed in Columbia for high school.

11 Went to Centre College in 1915. About 100 students.

12 He worked to pay way. Played football, basketball, baseball

14 Didn't go much in classes, dropped, etc. courses. Then in Jan. 1918 E.A. Diddle & others volunteered for (17) service - naval aviation. Got to Europe, no action.

18 Didn't graduate with his 1919 class. Back in school 1919-20. Didn't graduate (p. 24)

22 E.A. Diddle was 24 years old, 5'10", 165 lbs.

26 Coached at Monticello, had 16-2 record 1921. Then to Greenville 1921-22.

33 Tournament at WKU in 1922. E.A. Diddle impressed L.T. Smith.

34 E.A. Diddle refused to teach, accepted coaching job started in 1922.

59 E.A. Diddle didn't recruit at first.

60 Saw "Pop" Glen as greatest player he ever coached.

67 In 7 football seasons, E.A. Diddle's record was 38-24-2.

70 Old Red Barn - seated 250. Chicken wire. Big stoves in basement. (I don't believe it had a basement.)

102 E.A. Diddle took a number of classes as Henry Cherry tried to get him to complete his degree. (But he didn't do so until 1951. Biology p. 188 & English).

103 E.A. Diddle wasn't "a great theorist or technician." Assisted coach handled many of the details.

104 He was a great motivator.

108 University of Cincinnati coach: "They treat me so well and beat me so badly."

Rule change

112 1929-30 2 referees

113 1932-33 had to cross under line in 10 seconds. Couldn't be in foul lane with ball over 3 seconds

1936-37 3 second rule for any offensive player. Timeouts went to 4 from 3.

1937-38 Ended center jump after goal.

141 EA. Diddle gave 4 year scholarships to the Cook twins [Anna & Betty Cook]

147 Started Diddle's Dorm about 1944.

148 The NIT was WKU's great breakthrough. Articles in Look and Collier's won national attention.

149 Says Oran McKinney was 1st married player on a E.A. Diddle team.

160 E.A. Diddle said 1947-48 was his greatest. It had 7 men who made All-American. (Oran McKinney, Dee Gibson, Don Ray, Odie Spears, John Oldham, Bob Lavoy, Rip Gish)

161 Ohio Valley Conference started in 1948.

190 Summer 1952 E.A. Diddle had a heart attack but didn't even call doctor. Had 2 more in October within a day.

191 He sat out most of 1952-53 season.

210 Kidney removed in June 1958.

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202 WKU didn't win an out-of-state tournament until the Sugar Bowl Tournament of Dec. 1959.
 220 E.A. Diddle's last winning season was 1961-62 (17-10) and that was his last Ohio Valley Conference championship.
 222 1962-63 was 5-16
 223 Decided to try to recruit at least 2 black players. Got Dwight Smith and Clem Haskins.
 233 More illnesses, but out for dedication of Diddle Arena on Dec. 7, 1963. Vanderbilt won, 82-60. In the old gym: 368-38 record. Season of 1963-64 --- --- 5-16.
 Another serious heart attack on April 6, 1964.
 234 In June he asked to be relieved of coaching duties. Ted Hornback also quit coaching.
 238 He would name as his best teams those of 1943, 1948, 1954
 245 He died Jan. 2, 1970. Had told Dero Downing not to cancel game. WKU played on Jan. 3, with a red towel draped over chair in his box.
 759 won
 32 conference titles - 13 KIAC, 8 SIAA, 11 Ohio Valley Conference
 8 NIT appearances
 3 NCAA appearances
 18 seasons of 204 games won. Coached over 1,000 games at one school.

WKU - Notecards - Dillingham Case

1975

Includes cards: Dillingham: Padilla

Teachers
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William Buckman Interview - Dillingham Case

George Dillingham & Raul Padilla were told they were to be terminated. In case of George Dillingham, William Buckman feels it was because George Dillingham had disagreed with College of Education Dean (J.T. Sandefur) over some of his concepts. George Dillingham may not have done much research, but many hadn't at that time. State-wide issue. Took half of William Buckman's time during that year. Opinions from Frankfort, Attorney General. Both William Buckman & administration worked hard to get regent support. Was trying to get Senate at same time. William Buckman told D. [Dero Downing?] he was going to approve the termination. William Buckman had a majority(?) when it went to the Board. William Buckman says it was "a bitter pill" for Dero Downing to swallow. Perhaps 1st time a president hadn't got his way. Dero Downing could have kept about total support if he had reacted differently. He presented(?) hearing charge without informing some of Board. At that time, information would be handed out without time to study it. So William Buckman got rule passed that material must be sent out at least 2 weeks before a meeting. William Buckman says the George Dillingham was told J.T. Sandefur wanted to see him, he thought he was going to be complemented for his committee work. Instead, he was told he was to be terminated.

Daily News, 7-27-1975 - Dillingham: Padilla 1975

Board on Saturday reversed its April decision not to rehire Dr. George Dillingham (Secondary Education) and Dr. Raul Padilla (foreign languages) for 1975-76. Saturday Dr. W.R. McCormack moved that they be granted tenure. David Cole objected to over-riding administration recommendations. Others pointed to vague, --- tenure rules. George Dillingham has been at WKU 7 years, page 4.
 Gerald Edds: "Why can't the administration recognize a poor teacher within two years instead of waiting six or seven years?" Dr. Faye Carroll requested reassignment from department head to full-time teaching. Dr. W.R. McCormack asked if she had been pressured in leaving the position. William Buckman said (essentially) no.

Courier-Journal, July 27, 1975

"Dr. McCormack would not say if any problems at the school prompted the call for an evaluation. 'I'd rather not say,' he said."
 Says reversal of tenure decision came at urging of William Buckman. Vote was 5-3 to reverse April decision. W.R. McCormack: "We had a lot of new information from Dr. Buckman. We felt like they should have been granted tenure. We felt the administration erred."

Daily News, Aug. 24, 1975 - Dillingham: Padilla 1975

In August 1 letter to Regents, Dero Downing raised questions of legality of Board's July action to reverse April decision and thus to grant tenure to the 2 men. He had consulted William Bivin & J. David Cole, both of whom agree there are legal problems. Is the majority required of a quorum (4 of 6) or the full membership (6 of 10)? The vote was 5-3 with 1 abstaining. The reversal of administration recommendation was almost unprecedented. Dero Downing said in letter that Board could hold special meeting or seeking ruling of attorney general. He asked regents to indicate their preference.

Dr. W.R. McCormack & Dr. William Buckman have requested a special meeting for Sept. 20. William Buckman said he understood administration had asked an attorney general opinion before sending the Aug. 1 letter. "I think they should have informed the regents." David Cole said William Bivin discussed it informally with someone in the attorney general's office.

W.R. McCormack: "And there will be some new things we want to talk about to the president that's happening that we don't particularly care for."

Dero Downing in letter: "I want to assure you of my continued desire and unqualified commitment to carry out the duties and responsibilities of the position of president to the very best of my ability. I sincerely hope my efforts will be deserving of your support."

Daily News, Aug. 25, 1975 - The 2 teachers expect a favorable outcome. They said they had not received an official communication about their status. Raul Padilla

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<p>said he wrote Dero Downing on Aug. 16 asking for official notice of his status. President's Office call for meeting, but Raul Padilla was unable to schedule one last week. Then he wrote Dero Downing "simply saying that I would prefer to have a written statement of my status."</p> <p>Daily News, Sept. 21, 1975 - At yesterday's meeting, Regents agreed to seek ruling from Attorney General. David Cole says he doesn't believe Board has power to grant tenure unless it is recommended by the school administration.</p> <p>Daily News, Oct. 7, 1975 - Attorney General Office released opinion requested by WKU. Said a faculty member can be granted tenure or employed only up on recommendation of the president. In cases of employment or tenure, an affirmative vote by majority of the Board is required. If president doesn't recommend tenure, Board can't grant it. This is blow to George Dillingham & Raul Padilla. Says in a closed session on Sept. 20 Dero Downing suggested a compromise that George Dillingham be moved to another college & recommended for tenure there.</p> <p>Courier-Journal, Oct. 26, 1975 - Regents yesterday rescinded the tenure granted Raul Padilla & George Dillingham in July. Debated an hour. W.R. McCormack presented opinion from a law firm contradicting Attorney General's opinion. Dero Downing's proposal was accepted 6-4. George Dillingham returned in 1976-77 on a non-tenured basis, be assigned to other duties. Would remain eligible for tenure. Raul Padilla- remain rest of the year, have right to appeal to proper university committee. W.R. McCormack declared both professors "have been shafted, if you know what I mean."</p> <p>Daily News, 10-26-1975 - Article called meeting "a verbal slugfest." W.R. McCormack attacked University Attorney William Bivin for "usurping" board powers by talking to Attorney General office before Regents voted to seek an opinion. The 4 negative votes: W.R. McCormack, Chalmer Embry, William Buckman, Steve Henry (student).</p> <p>George Dillingham: Could work out OK. "The person who has blackballed me to this point is (Dean J.T.) Sandefur, and he said to one of his assistants that I'd be sorry I fought him."</p>	

<p>WKU - Notecards - Dining Facilities</p> <p>Includes cards: Dining Dining Room</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: 74 Reports to Regents - Dining Facilities 1920 Report to Regents, Nov. 18, 1920 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1920/mtgs/3/ Baily Home dining room was enlarged & remodeled last January . 300-400 students use it. Barracks dining room (cafeteria style) was opened at start of last mid-Winter term. Last January it became necessary for school to take over the boarding problem. Mr. C.S. Brown was put in charge and has done well. Much expense & high prices; but it is paying for itself except for ½ C.S. Brown's salary. Will soon be self-supporting & able to pay off deficit.</p> <p>Last year: \$ per week at Baily Home & \$4.00 at Barracks for table board. Now charging \$3.50 at Bailey Home and \$4.50 at Barracks.</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: 76 Personal Correspondence - Dining Room 1923 Henry Cherry to Mrs. Bess Cherry, St. Cloud, Fla., Feb. 12, 1923 - Says C.S. Brown and brother and ½ the cooks quit without notice last night. Henry Cherry went over about 4:30 this morning and found one cook & one student trying to cope.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Friday, March 19, 1937 - Dining 1937 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3764 1 Under new system announced by Miss Helen Gwin, dietician, a host or hostess is assigned to each table. This person serves the table as a unit. Says it has made a great improvement in the dining hall atmosphere</p>	<p>1920-1937</p> <p>Dining rooms Cafeterias</p>
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<p>WKU - Notecards - Dinner Theatre</p> <p>College Heights Herald, 2-23-1984 - Dinner Theatre 1984 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5887 Dinner theatre will open June 15 and continue to August 4. 34 performances in Garrett ballroom. "Move Over Mrs. Markham" and "The Boyfriend." \$12.50, 12 actors - share in the profits.</p> <p>On Campus, 6-11-1984 - Dinner Theatre 1984 Opens Friday in Garrett Ballroom. "Move Over Mrs. Markham" and "The Boyfriend." \$12.50, children under 10, \$10.00.</p>	<p>1984</p> <p>Theatrical productions Dinners and dining.</p>
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<p>WKU - Notecards - Directory</p> <p>Kelly Thompson Papers: 26 - Directory 1965 Dean of Students Memo: Dero Downing, Dean of Business Affairs to Kelly Thompson, April 21, 1965 - Approves Dean Charles Keown's suggestion for the printing of a</p>	<p>1965</p> <p>Directories</p>
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<p>faculty-staff-student directly. Woud be no expense for the college.</p>	
<p>WKU - Notecards - Disability Insurance</p> <p>Regents Minutes, 6-7-1972 - Disability Insurance 1972 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1972/spcl/1/ Board approved Disability Insurance program and authorized President to put it in effect. Harry Largen estimated cost at \$40-45,000 for 1972-73, which has been budgeted.</p>	<p>1972</p> <p>Insurance</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Disciplinary Committee</p> <p>Kelly Thompson Papers: 42 - Disciplinary Committee 1966 Disciplinary Committee J.David Francis to Kelly Thompson, Jan. 17, 1966 - Suggests need for spelling out due process procedure in student disciplinary cases in view of court decisions.</p> <p>Memo: Raymond Cravens, Dero Downing, Charles Keown to Kelly Thompson, Jan. 11, 1966 - Outlines recommendation for a Faculty Disciplinary Committee and recommends members for the 9 person committee.</p> <p>Memo: Kelly Thompson to Committee Members, July 5, 1967 - Officially set up April 7, 1966 in accord with state law Section 164.370 and action of the Board of Regents. (Gives the names of members if needed).</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Sept. 19, 1978 - Disciplinary Committee 1978 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/disc_ua_records/3401 6 Following action of last legislature & the Regents, President Dero Downing has appointed 3 students to the Disciplinary committee. Legislature made it legal for them to serve but did not require student participation. Dero Downing replaced 3 faculty whose terms experied with the 3 students.</p>	<p>1966-1978</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Discipline</p> <p>WKU - Notecards - Discipline Includes cards: Discipline: Student</p> <p>University: History Faculty Minutes 1907-33 - Discipline 1908+ Oct. 12, 1908 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/disc_ua_records/8511/ "the motion was made and unanimously carried that Messrs. Will McGoodwin and Joe Blackwell be earnestly urged to withdraw from school and seek another institution."</p> <p>Oct. 26, 1908 - "It was agreed to discourage students in every possible way in standing around the halls and entrance talking - girls and boys."</p> <p>Oct. 11, 1908 - Harry Dawson should be withdrawn. "He is not studying and is beginning to dissipate." President Henry Cherry should write his guardian to that effect.</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: Box 1 - Discipline: Student 1909 General Correspondence Thomas F. Dawson, U.S. Senate to Henry Cherry, Oct. 15, 1909 - Sorry to hear about misconduct of his nephew (no parents) Harry C. Dawson. Hopes he can give him another trial under strict supervision, but understands that "the presence of a boy of such habits in a school is injurious to the entire institution." "I think an educated bad man is worse than an uneducated bad man." If he doesn't reform, will remove him at once.</p> <p>Alex Duvall, Bowling Green resident to Henry Cherry, April 17, 1909 - Complains that student Bessie Beck bought 3 pieces of g--- (total \$3.74) had them cut off, p--- to call for them. Telephoned that she could not take them and hung up. ". . . she should be required to pay for them" as they are now merely remnants. Will you have her call me?</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: 76 - Discipline: Student 1912 Personal Correspondence 1913-14 Henry Cherry to John W. Cherry (brother), Atlanta, Feb. 12, 1912, 3 pages - In regard to Henry Cherry's nephew, John, who is at WKU. Henry Cherry --- --- --- in praise of him. But John has apparently written him that the students were ostracising him. Henry Cherry says this is "perfectly ridiculous." His is disappointed in John. Says the institution is disciplined by the students themselves. "The student-body has but little, if any use, for a boy who wil shirk school responsibility, who is not at his post on the night of the Literary Society. John has failed to make a record in his literary society, and I think his Society went after him." Henry Cherry learned about it only yesterday. "They did for him what they would have done for any other student . . ." Is afraid John has been deceiving him. Has disappointed Prof. Franz Strahm with whom he is boarding. Goes to picutre shows when he says he is going to YMCA. "I do not believe he knows what it is to study hard." Missed his Literary Society frequently. Absured to blame troubles on his age. "There are students here as young as John who are loved by every student in the institution . . ." John has bragged about how rich(?) you are, about your mansion, automobile, etc. He has gone out to old home without seeing me. Suspects that</p>	<p>1908-1966</p> <p>Students</p>

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<p>"John prefers a lot of giddy city boys as his associates instead of the students of the Western Normal." Meets too many of that type at YMCA. He is loveable but lacks will-power. "He has not learned to stand, fight, and conquer." "if he could be put between the plow handles about fifteen or twenty miles from any city and be given an opportunity to work, it would be a fine thing for his mind, his character, and his body." Might be better for him to come here. Get in touch with T.C. Cherry, who is "a sane man when it comes to matters of this kind." We discussed it at length yesterday & I'll rest(?) the matter of his judgment."</p>	
<p>Henry Cherry to nephew John Cherry, Feb. 12, 1912 - Can't understand why he went to country without seeing him. Will discuss any matter with him.</p>	
<p>Henry Cherry to J.W. Cherry, Atlanta, Feb. 20, 1912 - John Cherry had no talk with him before withdrawing from school. He is a loveable noble boy who has ability to succeed.</p>	
<p>Henry Cherry Papers: Box 2 - Discipline: Student 1913 General Correspondence 1913 Henry Cherry to J.J. Squire, Overland, Ky., Jan. 16, 1913 - Your daughter was dissatisfied with everything in the school & most of her teachers and 4 of her 5 boarding places. ". . . unless a student is satisfied in school it is useless for him to remain. In fact, it is not right for him to remain in school and accept its interest, hospitality, aggressive service and, at the same time, talk about it and criticize it upon all occasions. I took this position with your daughter . . . we have done everything we could."</p>	
<p>Henry Cherry Papers: Box 2 - Discipline, Student 1913 General Correspondence 1913 Mrs. J.A. Harding to Mrs.(?) [Robert] Green, (n.d.) - A young lady who rooms in your hall sat on my side porch last night until 4:00 o'clock with a young man. ". . . I am sure you will correct this evil."</p>	
<p>(Then Prof. R.B. Green called Corinne Coil's(?) uncle in Louisville).</p>	
<p>George F. Roser to R.B. Green, June 1 (?), 1913 - Is writing now to --- you to the letter. If she remains stubborn will have her come home. She was instructed "that she should not have any gentlemen company while at school."</p>	
<p>Robert Green to George Roser, June 11, 1913 - Miss Coil(?) was splendid student until 3 months ago. Left Hall (Frisbie Hall) without consulting us. Faculty asked her to return, but she stubbornly spent time away from it. Her attitude toward Mrs. Green & me became unsatisfactory. She often left the Hall without our permission although told not to do so. In last month & a half her work has become about valueless(?).</p>	
<p>George Roser to Robert Green, June 12, 1913 - Is grateful for your efforts to help her. May want her to return in fall if that is allright with the school. Encloses check for \$21.66 to cover all her debts, as per your statement.</p>	
<p>Robert Green to George Roser, June 23, 1913 - Has settled all her accounts; receipts are enclosed. Glad that he agrees with their handling of the case.</p>	
<p>Henry Cherry to George Roser, June 3, 1913 - Tells him that Corinne Coil(?) left here this morning; we telegraphed you so you could meet her. Tells of problems Robert Green has had with her at Frisbie Hall.</p>	
<p>Regents Minutes I, Nov. 3, 1922 - Discipline 1922 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1922/mtgs/1/ Gave president & faculty power to provide discipline, including suspending or expelling student. Student may appeal to the Board of Regents.</p>	
<p>Henry Cherry Papers: Box 7 - Discipline - Student 1923 General Correspondence 1923-24 M.C. Ford to Henry Cherry, June 18, 1923 - Recommends to you & the faculty that Frederick C. Young be permanently dismissed from the school because of insubordination. He has had a hearing. Faculty agreed unanimously. Note dated June 20, 1923. Mattie McLean, Secretary.</p>	
<p>Henry Cherry Papers: Box 10 - Discipline, Student 1926 General Correspondence 1926 Cecil Ashcroft to Henry Cherry, May 3, 1926 - His department in parlor of Potter Hall was deplorable. Henry Cherry suspended him from classes, then wrote on last Friday that he would be allowed to continue if the people who were there would sign Henry Cherry's letters to indicate their willingness. Letter has 18 signatures. Says the requirement was just. He deeply regrets what happened.</p>	
<p>Finley Grise Correspondence Co-F - Discipline 1930 General 1930 Finley Grise to Mrs. Penick, May 1, 1930 - President Henry Cherry & I recommend that you immediately withdraw all dorm privileges from the 3 girls - it seems "a rather mild penalty." Not to leave dorm except for classes, etc. without your express permission. "It will greatly strengthen your authority for you to handle the situation on your own personal responsibility, knowing, however, that at all times whatever you will be supported in every detail by President Cherry and myself."</p>	

Kelly Thompson Papers: 26 - Discipline: Student 1962
Student Problem Cases

Memo: Dean Charles Keown to Kelly Thompson, Sept. 17, 1962 - Paul Marion James, history major from Elizabethtown. Wife & 2 children live there. In Jan. 1961 he & a young lady from Whitestone Hall [Schneider Hall] were frequently seen together after classes & in evening. Brought to attention of this office after several weeks. "Neither attempted to make a denial of the friendship. In fact, they were quite surprised and could not understand why the college should be concerned about the matter." Both were put on strict probation. Girl's parents were informed.

July 17, 1961 - Paul James invited himself with same girl & her --- at the girls' apartment at Colonial Court. Group had been gathering there 2-3 weeks before concerned neighbors reported disturbance. He was allowed to finish summer school but not contact this office before fall.

Aug. 1, 1962 - This office was told that a young lady student was frequenting his apartment on 13th Street. Talked openly in class about what food she would serve. She would check out of dorm in mid-afternoon, using flirtatious names for ---. She always returned before 10:30 to dorm. During part of this period Paul James' wife was in Louisville hospital & girl helped care for his children. Paul James was suspended as of Aug. 3, end of summer school.

Conference Sept. 6, 1962. He was allowed to enroll. Must report to this office once per week until he graduates in January. (Paul James had a bunch of character letters sent in).

Kelly Thompson Papers: Discipline 1966

S - General

John W. Stovall, Adairville, to Kelly Thompson, April 15, 1966 - Wants him to know that everyone in Logan County is not in sympathy with the Russellville boys who were suspended. He is "disgusted" with --- teen agers "trying to tell education officials how to run educational institutions, also to permit students to visit coed rooms any hour. When I went to school we asked and did not demand any privileges; our teachers had complete control - Thank God!"

WKU - Notecards - Discrimination

Includes cards:

Discrimination Claimed

Discrimination: Dorms

Discrimination Suit

College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Oct. 10, 1972 - Discrimination 1972 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4884

1 Associated Student Government had passed 2 resolutions to form committees to study possible campus discrimination against women & minority groups in hiring.

College Heights Herald, Oct. 4, 1974 - Discrimination 1974 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5029

5 Letter from John Russell, black junior. Claims discrimination because he was not hired for the student patrol. Marcus Wallace: John Russell's previous campus employment record was not as good as that for others selected.

Daily News, Nov. 12, 1974 - Discrimination Suit 1974

Flonnie Strunk filed sex discrimination suit against President Dero Downing and the Board of Regents in federal district court; Lexington. She filed a class action suit.

Daily News, Aug. 17, 1975 - Discrimination 1975

Flonnie Strunk sex bias suit was dismissed earlier this month by Federal District Judge Bernard T. Moynihan. She says she will appeal to U.S. 6th Circuit Court of Appeals.

College Heights Herald, April 27, 1976 - Discrimination Claimed 1976 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5152

7 Interhall Council has filed charges of discrimination under Title IX with Vice President John Minton. Says men should have choice of non-air conditioned dorm as women do. (All of men's dorms are air conditioned.) A complaint procedure is being worked out.

College Heights Herald, Friday, Feb. 25, 1977 - Discrimination 1977 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5380

5 Associated Student Government last Tuesday rejected 11-6 (14 abstained) resolution urging that WKU "not allow any form of discrimination." Last week when 1st read it singled out Miss Black Western, Mountain Laurel representatives, United Black Greeks as examples of discrimination. About 15 black non-members came to Congress to argue against it.

College Heights Herald, Sept. 29, 1977 - Discrimination: Dorms 1977 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5457

4 Editorial. Associated Student Government is sponsoring resolution asking that men be allowed to select cheaper (\$12 per semester) non-air-conditioned dorms. Could be taken care of rather easily but the university has done nothing. "The university should not wait for a complaint to be filed . . . It shouldn't take a federal ruling to bring action."

1972-1978

Students
Dormitories
Residential facilities
Women
Sports
Athletics
African Americans
Blacks
Minorities
Sex discrimination
Race discrimination

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<p>College Heights Herald, Aug. 22, 1978 - Discrimination 1978 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3398 14 During summer Dept. of Health, Education & Welfare listed WKU as one of 41 schools not complying with Title IX guidelines for equal rights for men & women in sports.</p>	
<p>WKU - Notecards - Disease</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: Box 3 - Disease 1917 General Correspondence 1917 Henry Cherry to Mrs. L.C. Bruce, Louisville, Feb. 10, 1917 - School has had measles & about a week ago a student died of "sporadic Meningitis" after illness of 36 hours. "This came nearly creating a panic in the institution. It has required all of the effort and energy and time that I have had at my command to keep the school inline and avoid a stampede." Fine now.</p>	<p>1917</p> <p>Students Death Diseases</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Distinguished Professor</p> <p>Includes: Distinguished Service Professor</p> <p>Dero Downing Papers - Distinguished Professor 1974 Regents 1974 Regent Ronnie Clark to Dero Downing, April 29, 1974 - Wants WKU to consider creating a Distinguished Professor position, perhaps one per college, that would "carry the title and compensation for this service." First one should be Dr. John Scarborough.</p> <p>Dero Downing to Ronnie Clark, May 1, 1974 - His suggestion "is in keeping with previous deliberations which Dean [Raymond] Cravens and I have had over an extended period of time." Agrees that John Scarborough would be deserving. Perhaps we can discuss this soon.</p> <p>Informational Notes, Aug. 8, 1974 - Distinguished Professor 1974 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/1494/ Regent's meeting July 27, 1974 Dr. John Scarborough was named Professor of Education & Distinguished Service Professor.</p> <p>Bowling Green Daily News, Sept. 29, 1974 - Distinguished Service Professor Dr. John A. Scarborough has been named distinguished service professor at WKU. He "will intensify his involvement in work with the schools and community organizations in the service area of Western." "Dr. John" has been on WKU's faculty 15 years.</p> <p>Daily News, Sept. 29, 1974 - Distinguished Professor Dr. John A. Scarborough has been named distinguished service professor. He will increase his involvement with work with the schools and community organizations in WKU's service area. Won teaching excellence award last year.</p> <p>Faculty Senate Records Committee Reports - Distinguished Professor - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/univ_senate/comm/igp/2/ 12/9/1982 Report & Recommendation to President Donald Zacharias "Institutional Goals & Planning Committee." People can --- [become] full professor before 40. Easy to "retire" for next 20+ years. Need to recognize & reward those who make distinguished contributions. Suggests creation of honoray rank of Distinguished Professor. Suggests salary honorarium of \$5,000. (Fund for Excellence could be source.) Perhaps other help. Not many at one time.</p>	<p>1974-1982</p> <p>Teachers</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Distributive Education</p> <p>News from Western 1/28/1974 - Distributive Education 1974 Regents have authorized Dept. of Secondary Education to offer Distributive Education as a major field of study. It prepares teacher coordinators to teach and direct such programs at secondary & post-secondary levels. (in the economies of distribution, merchandising and marketing.)</p>	<p>1974</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Districts</p> <p>Includes: Dividing Line</p> <p>Henry Cherry Scrapbooks 1906-1913 - Districts 1907+ Page 57 in back has a map showing the division between Eastern & Western districts</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: Box 3 - Districts 19716 General Correspondence 1916 Henry Cherry to President J.G. Crabbe, President, Eastern Kentucky University, July 20, 1916 - J.G. Crabbe is going to Colorado. Henry Cherry asks if they shouldn't redistrict before he leaves. Should have been done after census of 1910. Would like to do it before goes home(?).</p>	<p>1907-1924</p>

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Henry Cherry to J.G. Crabbe, Aug. 24, 1916 - Cites census figures to show that the Eastern District has 48,245 more people than the western district. Also, ". . . the County of Jefferson and the City of Louisville combined has given us but little patronage."

J.G. Crabbe to Henry Cherry, July 26, 1916 - Idea is good. Will be glad to do this work with you.

Regents Minutes I, Jan. 24, 1924 - Dividing Line 1924 - <https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1924/mtgs/3/>
 Recommends eliminating the dividing line between Eastern Kentucky University & WKU & making the state a common territory for the normal schools.

Talisman 1926 - Districts 1924 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/90/
 8 Says that 1924 legislature removed the boundaries that had restricted enrollment.

WKU - Notecards - Dixie Criticized

College Heights Herald, March 17, 1966 - Dixie Criticized 1966 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4691
 4 Letter from Dennis E. Reeves, Jr. - "As Western grows and accepts students of all races and from all geographic areas, we from the South must realize that the Confederate flag and 'Dixie' represent something quite distasteful to many of our fellow students." Quotes Cedar Rapid Gazette of March 12, suggest that WKU's use of song & Confederate States of America flags lost considerable crowd support. Says many booed this. Pointed out that 3 of 5 WKU students were Negroes.

March 24 [1966] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4705
 4 Two letters on Dixie. - Larry Garrett, Sr. Says "'Dixie' is one of the most spirited pieces of music ever written or played." This brings people to feet, not fact that they are from South. Perhaps "Home on the Range" is also sectional and should be banned.

Gary Hamby - "It seems to me that the three Negro starters for our team perform as well after 'Dixie' is played as before."

1966
 Music
 Songs
 Confederate States of America
 Flags
 African Americans
 Blacks

WKU - Notecards - Doctoral Cooperative

Includes Cards:
 Doctoral Co-op
 Doctoral Cooperative
 Doctoral Joint
 Doctoral Program

Kelly Thompson Papers: 15 - Doctoral: Co-op 1965
 Council on Public Higher Education (Advisory Committee Reports)
 Meeting of May 17, 1965 - President John Oswald (University of Kentucky) presented draft of proposal for cooperative doctoral program in cooperation with Eastern Kentucky University, WKU, Murray State University & Morehead State University. Favorable response from the presidents. Graduate deans should work out details. Proposal would allow all course requirements except for 2 required semesters of --- work at University of Kentucky to be done at other schools.

Kelly Thompson Papers: 48 - Doctoral - Joint 1966
 Peabody College: Joint Doctoral
 Dean Tate C. Page to Vice President Raymond Cravens, Oct. 12, 1966 - He, John Minton & Charles Martin had meeting at Peabody on Oct. 11 re: joint doctoral program. They have approved idea & detailed planning will continue

John Minton to Graduate Dean C.B. Hunt(?), Peabody, June 1, 1966 - Encloses materials they have worked on. Student at WKU could transfer at least 18 hours beyond masters. For Education Doctora - 1/2 of resarch that requirements can be met at WKU. Joint committee set up.

Later: Statement of Agreement Cut to 16 hours beyond MA. No languagre at WKU but 2 education courses can be taken re: research total(?)/ WKU's Regents apparently approved the program in August 1967.

Dero Downing Papers: 28 - Doctoral: Cooperative 1972
 Joint doctoral program in Aquatic Biology, Univeristy of Louisville & WKU set up in 1972.

Memo: John Minton to Dero Downing, 12/2/1971 - ". . . the irony of the whole situation is that the Biology Department at Western is probably stronger academically, than the Biology Department at the University of Louisville . . ." yet they can offer the PhD.

Courier-Journal, March 21, 1972 - Doctoral, Joint 1972
 University of Louisville Trustees yesterday approved joint doctoral program with WKU & University of Kentucky. WKU's one is in aquatic biology. Until Senate Bill 54 was recently passed, such joint programs had been possible only in education.

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College Heights Herald, Friday, March 24, 1972 - Doctoral Program 1972 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4856
 6 University of Louisville approved joint doctoral program in aquatic biology between WKU & University of Louisville. Will go to WKU's Regents at their next meeting. Other programs (University of Kentucky, Peabody) have been in education. 3-5 years initially.

Regents Minutes, 4/26/1972 - Doctoral Program 1972
 Approved cooperative doctoral program in Aquatic Biology with University of Louisville.

Informational Notes (President) April 28, 1972 - Doctoral Program 1972 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/1595/
 Regents' Meeting, April 19, 1972 Approved cooperative program with University of Louisville leading to PhD. in aquatic biology.

WKU - Notecards - Doctoral Program

Includes: Doctoral Work

Daily News, April 25, 1974 - Doctoral Program? 1974
 Wednesday night at meeting of Warren County Bar Association at which he spoke, Rep. Ed Brown said WKU should prepare now for a doctoral program in education. He said WKU officials seemed reluctant to take action, & he fears the opportunity will pass by as did the state veterinary school. Said WKU produces more teachers than any other state school in Kentucky. "If we could offer this we could get the money with the snap of the fingers." Says that the matter could be ready to go before the next session of the legislature. Ed Brown recalled how Kelly Thompson and Dero Downing refused to move on the vet school, saying "We're not ready."

Regents Minutes, April 27, 1974 - Doctoral Work 1974 - <https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1974/mtg/2/>
 Matter of a doctoral program in education was brought up. (Doesn't say by whom.) Dero Downing reviewed role of Council on Public Higher Education. "He explained that the University is continuing its philosophy of developing programs only when there were demonstrated, defined and definite needs and could be done within the resources available or projected. He state that in his opinion the time was not propitious for Western to move in the direction of the program in education and that when that time comes, Western would be in the forefront."

1974
 Education

WKU - Notecards - Doctorates

Includes: Doctoral Graduates

Park City Daily News, Nov. 17, 1963 - Doctorates 1963
 Says WKU has more graduates who have earned doctorates than any other state college in Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi region. WKU ranks in top 15% of all colleges & universities in nation. Since 1920 - 145, Since 1950 - 101

College Heights Herald, Nov. 20, 1963 - Doctoral Graduates 1963 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2144
 2 WKU has best record of any state college in this region for graduates who go on to obtain doctorates. Since 1920 145 have earned doctorates after leaving WKU. (Region is Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, [Mississippi]). WKU is in top 15% in nation. 101 of the 145 have been since 1950. Kelly Thompson: "This report confirms our judgment that Western graduates are getting a quality education." Did not include medicine, denistry, etc.

1963

WKU - Notecards - Documents

Senate Journal, Jan. 31, 1934 - State Documents 1934
 425 SB198 An act requiring the State Library to furnisth the University of Kentucky and the State Teachers' College Libraries each with two copies of every document which said Library is authorized by law to distribute and to require every State Department and Agencies publishing reports to provide two copies of said document to each said Libray. Introduced by Sen. Moss, referred to Committee on Library and Historical Records and ordered printed.
 1075-6 SB 198 Introduced and read for the first time.

Senate Journal Feb. 1, 1934 - Libraries, Receipt of County Documents 1934
 467 HB145 An act authorizing Circuit Court Clerks at his discretion to give the libraries of the University of Kentucky and Teachers' Colleges non-current documents and reports and any other library materials not needed by the county. Message received from the House that the bill had passed.
 2717 Feb. 20 HB145 Reported by T.O. Turner of the Committee on Library without an expression of opinion. Senator Moss moved that it be advanced to its first reading the report of the Committee to the contrary notwithstanding the motion was agreed on.
 2783 Feb. 21 HB145 Taken from the Calendar for consideration by the Senate and ordered placed on the Orders of the Day.
 4424 Mar 9 HB145 Taken by the Senate for consideration at the instance of the Committee on Rules. Senator Ray moved that third reading of the bill be dispensed with and it be read by title only and placed upon its passage. The bill was read the third time by title only and passed. Resolved that title be as aforesaid. Senator Ray moved the vote be reconsidered and the motion lie on the table. The motion was agreed on.
 4698 Mar. 9 HB145 Read at length and compared in open session and found correctly enrolled, thereupon the Lieutenant Governor signed it. Ordered it delivered

1934
 Legislation
 Documents
 Libraries

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<p>to the Enrolling Clerk of the House. Ordered the Enrolling Clerk to deliver it to the House of Representatives. The Enrollign Clerk delivered the original and enrolled copies signed by the Speaker of the House to the Chief Clerk of the Senate. The Chief Clerk was ordered to deliver the bills to the Governor which he reported doing.</p>	
<p>WKU - Notecards - Domestic Science</p> <p>Includes cards: Domestic Economy Domestic Science Department</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: Box 2 - Domestic Science Department 1910 General Correspondence 1911 Henry Cherry to Dr. Wickliffe Rose, Washington, DC, Oct. 3, 1910 - Regents at Sept. 27, 1910 meeting passed resolution instructed Henry Cherry to investigate the needs & possibilities for a domestic science program. We offered 6 week course in Domestic Science last summer & got excellent response. But we can't add it until more money is collected. Last summer we enrolled 48 "noble young women." Thinks that was more enthusiasm there than in any other department. The Model School children also made use of it. Can the Peabody Fund contribute a teacher if we provide all physical & moral support?</p> <p>Henry Cherry to Wickliffe Rose, Oct. 12, 1910 - Has re--- proposal as you suggested. Will start department in Jan. 1911 if the Peabody Fund can supply the equipment needed. WKU will secure a good teacher. Has checked with several (4) other schools on cost. Their replies average \$1750.</p> <p>Wickliffe Rose to Henry Cherry, Sept. 23, 1910 - Will be glad to consider your proposal. But fund is --- --- - only \$40,000 for all Southern States.</p> <p>Henry Cherry to Wickliffe Rose, Sept. 22, 1911 - We have been forced to go \$80,000 in debt, but we expect next General Assembly to take care of this. Very gratified for the \$2000, & we are using it with the utmost efficiency. Could you assist with a Model Rural School for the campus? That is where most of our students teach. Pleased to learn you have given \$40,000 to the Department of Education of the State University.</p> <p>Wickliffe Rose to Henry Cherry, Sept. 25, 1911 - Will bring proposal to attention of the Special Committee of the Trustees at next meeting. But unless it changes its policy, there is "little probability that any significant contributions will be made to the state normal schools."</p> <p>Elevator 2:2, Nov. 1910 - Domestic Science 1910 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/1936/ 19 Great rejoicing in chapel Monday Nov. 7 when announcement was made that Peabody Fund for Public Schools had donated \$2000 to WKU to instal "a School of Domestic Science."</p> <p>State Normal Bulletin, Feb. 1911 - Domestic Science 1911 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/8560/ 23 School of Domestic Science & Domestic Arts will be located on 2nd floor of the Dr. Cabell residence [Cabell Hall]. Peabody Education Fund (24) has donated \$2000 to buy equipment. Work will begin in Jan. 1911.</p> <p>May 1911 6 Miss Iva Scott is head of the department.</p> <p>Elevator 4:4 Feb. 1913 - Domestic Science Department - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/1918/ 131 Department started in spring term, 1911 under direction of Miss Iva Scott, graduate of Stout Institute, Wisconsin. By Dec. 1911, preparations had been made for rural work in Warren County. Serving clubs had been organized in every school district. 132 Regular course established in the rural schools in July 1912 - under Miss Ida Judd. She visited each place at least 2-3 times, sometimes staying 3-4 days at a place. Carried an oil stove, cooking utensils, & an outfit for canning fruit. Great results, great interest in the work. Wonderful exhibit of childrens' work at the county fair. School at White Stone Quarry has accomplished the most - 29 members. Oaklan School has strong club. Many schools have held box-suppers to buy equipment, "and one school cut and sold logs for cross-ties, that they might buy a stove." Two Home Economics clubs for women have been organized in the county. Number of students from this program are now doing well in their jobs.</p> <p>Elevator 4:8 June 1913 - Domestic Science - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/1922/ 303 When Domestic Science started in spring 1911 the average attendance that year was 35. The 1913 average is 81. Class consisted of girls from the Normal School & the Training School. First term: model sewing, elementary principles. Second term: plain sewing; tailored skirt & waist. Third term: Cooking. 304 There are now 6 terms. (Lists them.) Boys' Supervision started in spring of 1911 with 8 boys. Course consists of 2 terms: cooking, sewing. Only 2 boys in class in 1913. Department has 55 enrolled from Training School. Students had charge of lunches for the boat treip this spring, cleared \$77.30.</p> <p>State Normal Bulletin, Nov. 1913 - Domestic Economy 1913 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/8507/ 12 Last June for the 1st time students of the department prepared & served the Alumni Banquet. 8 course meal to 135 guests at a cost of \$85.53.</p>	<p>1910-1913</p> <p>Home economics Cookery Sewing Curriculum Canning Canning and preserving</p>

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<p>WKU - Notecards - Donations to Mammoth Cave Park Fund</p> <p>Daily News, Feb. 27, 1928 - Donations to Mammoth Cave Park Fund 1928 8 "The members of the faculty and student body of the Western State Teaches College have subscribed more than \$3,000 to the Mammoth Cave national Park drive and contributions from students entering for the second semester are expected to increase this amount materially. The slogan of the Teachers College is 'every faculty member and every student a subscriber'."</p>	<p>1928</p> <p>Fund raising Mammoth Cave (Ky.)</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Donovan, Herman Lee 1887-1964</p> <p>H.L. Donovan & Wife Papers, Box 1 - Donovan - Student 1906-08 Autobiography Vol. I - "Preparing for a Career: Off to College" 1 First choice was Centre but it was too expensive. Parents had heard too many tales about University of Kentucky to even consider letting him go there. 2 In summer 1906 Professor Ezra L. Gillis advised him to go to Southern Normal School at Bowling Green (soon to become Westren Kentucky State Normal School). "Now more than half a century later, I am positively persuaded that it was exactly the school that fitted my needs best at that time." 3 Never wrote for information. Had saved \$100 from teaching & sold horse to mother for \$150. Was 19 years old. At Maysville, caught C&O for Cincinnati, took L&N there for Bowling Green. Sat up since Pullman berth was \$2. Arrived shortly after daylight. 4 Excellent restaurant at station. Bowling Green was a lovely city. About 9:00, wandered into college building. Had never seen a building like it -"towers and minarets." [Original Van Meter Hall] A Professor W.S. Ashby took him to Henry Cherry's office. ". . . Mr. Cherry greeted me cordially and made me feel at home . . . warm and sincere . . ." Henry Cherry sent for Professor Frederick Roman who enrolled me. 5 Trunk & bags delivered before noon. Assigned 3rd floor room in only dorm college had. Paid small fees. Engaged board at Ma Bailey's at \$1.75 per week. By afternoon, I was in class. Took math, English literature, Latin, English history, physics. Studnents - "friendly and serious about their work. It was easy to see that they were incollege to get an education and not to have a good time." He was about as well prepared as anyone else. Usually studied until 10-11 p.m. Usually in top 10-15% . 6 "It was all very stimulating to me; I had never done anything that brought me greater joy and happiness."</p> <p>Students were "intelligent and serious minded." Chiefly from rural - small town western Kentucky, good American stock. ". . . they were ambitious to succeed and most of them had a clear idea of their objective." No athletic program. Dances were not allowed. Automobiles did not distract. Much week-end dating. Couples explored (7) town on foot. Might rent a horse & buggy and take girl for a ride in the country. Nearly all attended church on Sunday & Sunday night. Chestnut hunt in fall, boat trip in the spring. Debates and oratorical contests in chapel - dates for them "splendid Lyceum course" with nationally known musicians & speakers. 8 A.L. Crabb has been a life-long friend. 9 It was "a notable group of young men and women" he met there 1906-08. "There was something in our environment that called out the best in us as students . . . it was the magnetic influence of President H.H. Cherry and a faculty of devoted, consecrated teachers who were deeply interested in teaching us. I have never seen in any school such a passion for learning as I found on the campus of Western and teachers so anxious to serve students." Some of great ---: A.J. Kinnaman, "kindly, scholarly . . . trulay a guide, philosopher and friend of the students. Fred Mutchler - biologist. 10 "The great historian, Dr. A.M. Stickles, a scholar and author who would have added prestige to any faculty of American colleges, made history a living, vital pageant in which I was one of the participants." Frederick W. Roman, R.P. Green (Latin), J.R. Alexander (math).</p> <p>At Christmas, 1906 he stayed in Bowling Green since trip home would cost \$35-40 & he could live in Bowling Green for \$5. Checked out several books. Volunteered to help deliver Christmas baskets to the poor - an unforgettable experience. 12 After Christmas he moved from crowded dorm to privat ehome. 4 of them rented(?) a big room at total cost of \$12 per month. Grover Cleveland Bush was 6;9" (from Fountain Run), so bed was a problem. 13 Much romping and wrestlng. 14 Ran out of funds in late February, decided he would have to go home. Told Dean A.J. Kinnaman, who told Henry Cherry, who called Herman Donovan into his office. Herman Donovan told him he would earn some money, return as soon as possible. Henry Cherry told Herman Donovan he would lend him what was needed, pay it back when you (15) graduate and get a job. Just go by business office and sign a note for \$50 as needed. Only security he asked was Herman Donovan's signature. Wrote father to tell him he wouldn't be coming home soon. Father replied that if Henry Cherry had that much confidence in him, he would "be (16) damned if some other man could finance the education of his son." Check for \$100. Herman Donovan sent father a note each time; owed him \$625 when he graduated. When school closed in August, he went home for 1st time in 11 months. 17 In September, back to Bowling Green. Saw a lovely girl in front of A.J. Kinnaman's office. Decided he might marry her some day. Dated her Sunday (18) night - and never let her get away. Engaged in 3 months. They decided no dating except on weekends or for special programs." 19 Long Sunday walks when weather was good. Hired buggy & horse (\$3) & took Nell in style on Chestnut hunt. They later went on Professor Robert Green's trip to Mammoth Cave - walked 30 miles each way. 20 It was an educational venture that was well worthwhile. "It is hard to explain Western State Normal School if you have never been there. There was an atmosphere different from any college I have ever known. In my day there was a dedication both on the part of the students and teachers to learning . . . There was but little loafing on the campus. The college 'bum' did not (21) remain long in those hallowed halls." Chapel was the most unique aspect. It wasn't primarily religious, although there was always a scripture reading and a short prayer. "The program was educational possessing the fervor of a religious cause. President Cherry used his ability to light a spark in the mind of every student, then fan it into a fire. I have left his meeting many a day feeling I just had to run to a class, to the library, or to my room to study. He possessed the greatest power I have ever known to kindle the flame of the torch of learning. Each person felt President Cherry was talking directly to him." Henry Cherry presided at chapel but others often spoke & many of faculty were excellent speakers.</p>	<p>1906-1964</p> <p>Students Alumni & alumnae Teachers</p>

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22 Henry Cherry brought distinguished state & national figures such as W.J. Bryan, Robert M. LaFollette, Olie Jones, A.O. Stanley. Literary societies were very important. Each senior had to deliver an oration.

23 Spring 1908 Henry Cherry told Herman Donovan the faculty had selected him to present gold-headed can to Capt. Charles Vanmeter who had donated funds for Van Meter Hall. (24-25 gives Herman Donovan's speech)

25 Captain Vanmeter was overcome by emotion.

Great rejoicing on Jan. 1, 1907 when Southern Normal became Western Kentucky State Normal School. One who had been in old school were hardly aware of any change. Faculty remained much the (26) same. Business department moved out & became the Bowling Green Business University. Many of students were now teachers 30 years or older. "They were very serious about their work and many of them were excellent students."

On June 22, 1907 Dean Kinnaman saw Herman Donovan outside his office, called him in to experiment with registration for the new school. When he finished, he wrote on the card: "Mr. Donovan was the first student registered in the Normal."

In Jan-March, 1908 President Henry Cherry was in Frankfort most of the time trying to get an adequate appropriation. Many of the students wrote members of the legislature. Governor didn't sign until end of 10 day period.

28 Classmate Roy Tuck & Herman Donovan learned (telegraph office) about 4:00 p.m. that the bill had been signed. Went to courthouse and rang the bell until 8:00 p.m.

29 A.J. Kinnaman wanted to postpone celebration until Henry Cherry got back from Frankfort, but students and townspeople celebrated anyway. Giant parade. That day, March 17, 1908, was Herman Donovan's 21st birthday.

30 When Henry Cherry arrived on midnight train about 300 boys met the train. Station was poorly lighted & Henry Cherry was on last car. Herman Donovan & Fred Cooper grabbed him to hoist him on their shoulders. "But President Cherry mistook us in the darkness of the night. He had in one hand a bag and in the other an umbrella. He dropped his bag and with his umbrella he began to pound us over the head until two more boys rushed to our aid and overcame him. These were the days when night-riders were abroad in the land of Kentucky. The president thought the night-riders had him and it took some time to calm him down. He was very apologetic for the rough manner in which he received the welcome we planned for him."

32 Henry Cherry thanked Herman Donovan a few days later for going ahead with the spontaneous demonstration.

Robert LaFollette made very impressive speech at the college in 1908, & they decided to hold a mock (33) Republican Convention. Herman Donovan & some other Democrats decided to support Robert LaFollette. Painted a giant banner which Republicans tried to keep out of the hall. Fist fights broke out. Henry Cherry & some faculty finally managed to question them.

35 He was told to go sit by Miss Stout(?), but she wouldn't speak to him. The convention adjourned without finishing its business.

36 Reynolds' boarding house. Ma Reynolds was tall, large grey-haired, probably in her late 60s. Excellent personality, energy, "and a command that would have made her captain of police if she had been a man." Dominated the rooming house, including Pa Reynolds - short, thick-bodied, "bald as a peeled onion." Best boarding house Herman Donovan has ever patronized. Cost \$2.50 per week for excellent Southern cooked meals. Two or three boarders were (37) teachers; rest were students. One evening several decided to eat her out of house & home at supper. She was going to serve hot biscuits, butter & sorghum molasses. They ate them all & claimed they were still hungry. Cook was gone, so Ma (38) went to the kitchen and made another batch. They ate them, claimed they were still hungry. "The old lady came into the dining room, placing her hands on her hips defiantly shouted, 'Get out of here!'" They left. All were very fond of her & the house.

38 In April 1908 A.J. Kinnaman recommended Herman Donovan for principalship of a new elementary school in Paducah. He impressed them with what (43) he had learned at Western & was hired at \$75 a month - very good then.

44 Commencement was July 29, 1908. Class of 12 - 6 men, 6 women. It was WKU's first graduating class.

45 "Reviewing my own life, I am persuaded that the two years I spent in college at Bowling Green were the most significant of all my years."

"At Long Last I Became a Student of the University"

1 After teaching 4 years, Herman Donovan enrolled at University of Kentucky in 1911. When he enrolled that summer he was unclassified as University of Kentucky had not decided how much credit to give WKU graduates. "The dean of the Arts College did not hold a Normal School in too high esteem."

2 Herman Donovan was finally given senior classification after threatening to withdraw & go to Indiana University where WKU credits were being given full value.

Kelly Thompson Papers: 16 - Donovan, H.L. 1908

D - General (retired?)

H.L. Donovan, Lexington to Kelly Thompson, June 17, 1958 - "I am proud of the fact that I was the first student to enter Western when it was established as a state school. I have been proud of the college ever since I entered its doors in the fall of 1906. It gave me just the kind of education I needed at that time. There were some wonderful teachers there who in--- me and guided the direction of my education. Western was for me at that time better than Harvard or Princeton would have been."

Elevator 4:5 March 1913 - Donovan 1913 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/1919/

149 Herman Donovan was born in Mason County in 1888. At age 18 taught school, then went into insurance business in Cincinnati.

150 In 1906, entered Jr. class at Southern Normal. In 1908, he got 2 diplomas at once. Taught 2 years at Paducah, Whittier School principal. Then to Wickliffe.

Back to Paducah in 1912. (not faculty - alumni).

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<p>Henry Cherry Papers: Box 2 - Donovan, H.L. 1914 General Correspondence - 1914 Henry Cherry to H.L. Donovan, Louisville, July 2, 1914 - Congratulates him upon the excellent work he is doing. "I do not know of anyone that has ever attended this institution in whom I have had a higher interest than in yourself, and I do not know of any one whose work has pleased me more than your splendid and patriotic efforts." Thanks for your active interest in me personally.</p>	
<p>Henry Cherry to H.L. Donovan, Maysville, July 3, 1914 - Has recommended him to Peabody for a liberal fellowship. Is he interested?</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: Box 3 - Donovan, H.L. 1916 General Correspondence 1916 H.L. Donovan, Louisville Schools to Miss Mattie McLean, Oct. 14, 1916 - ". . . if I ever accomplish anything in life that is really worthwhile the credit will belong not to - [me?], but to the influence of the old school, and particularly to Mr. Cherry."</p>	
<p>Undated part of letter attached to above, from Herman Donovan to Henry Cherry. Would be in 1915. Will continue to boost him for governor. "You are by nature an executive. You have as fine a knowledge of the theory and practice of government as any man I have ever met, and this knowledge combined with your high ideals especially qualify you for the place. Should you decide to make the race I want to help work up a campaign fund among the old students and contribute the first amount myself.</p>	
<p>Henry Cherry Papers: Box 3 - Donovan, H.L. 1920 General Correspondence 1920 Henry Cherry to H.L. Donovan, Jellico, Tenn., Jan. 24, 1920 - "I am glad you are coming back to the profession." "Let me assure you that wherever you may be, whatever you may do, and whatever may be your aspirations, this institution will be with you ready to give you any assistance within its power."</p>	
<p>H.L. Donovan, Sept. Catlettsburg Public Schools to Henry Cherry, May 23, 1921 - Last Thursday he accepted position with Eastern Kentucky State Normal School. "I always have reported to you just like I would report to my father when I make a change."</p>	
<p>Henry Cherry Papers: 73 - Donovan, H.L. 1933 Higher Education Henry Cherry to Dr. Rainey T. Wells, Omaha, Neb., Feb. 4, 1933 - "I am very fond of Donovan. He is a real boy and I love him for his sincerity, as well as his training and ability. The trouble with Donovan is, he commits a group when he should not do it. He forms his conclusions before he has thought them out. He is continually doing this. I must say for him, however, that when he discovers the light he is a real fighter and that he loyally supports his final conclusions. As you know, Donovan was trained in the stereotypical course of school administration that is offered by the leading institution of this country and it is hard for him to get away from this influence. I sometimes feel that education would be better off in this land if most of the courses in School Administration were abolished. . . . No need [to] tell me what the average PhD. in School Administration from Peabody College or Columbia University believes. I know exactly what all of them believe and they all believe the same thing. It takes quite a while to get them out of the groove and liberate them . . ."</p>	
<p>Paul Garrett Papers: 3 - Donovan, H.L. 1941 1941-46 D Paul Garrett to H.L. Donovan, Eastern Kentucky University, April 3, 1941 - Congratulations upon promotion. "It is good to know that we can look forward to sympathetic understanding on the part of the president of our University of the problem of our Teachers Colleges."</p> <p>Herman Donovan to Paul Garrett: April 3, 1941 - "So long as I am president of the University, the Teachers Colleges will have a friend in this position. I think I know the aims and objectives of the Teachers Colleges, and I am devoted to those institutions." Anticipates "close harmony."</p>	
<p>Lexington Herald, 4/3/1941 - Donovan, H.L. Herman Donovan was 1st student enrolled at WKU on Jan. 22, 1907 when it opened as state school. "This was the first card of credits made out at Western." A.J. Kinnaman. Herman Donovan graduated June 9, 1908 in 1st graduating class.</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, April 4, 1941 - Donovan, H.L. 1941 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3842 4 When Western Kentucky Normal School opened on Jan. 22, 1907 first student to register was Herman Lee Donovan of Maysville. He was in first graduating class on June 9, 1908 when he received a life certificate. He has just been elected president of University of Kentucky after being president of Eastern Kentucky Teachers College for 13 years.</p>	
<p>Kelly Thompson Papers: 14 - Donovan, 1964 C-General A.L. Crabb, Nashville, to Kelly Thompson, June 9, 1964 - Has spent 4 days in Lexington, much of it with the Donovans. Memory isn't too good at times but in good condition otherwise. "He talked a great deal about his old days in Bowling Green. Western is dear and tender in his memory. It ought to be. He got his wife, and a good bit of inspiration there. But he remembers about every day he was there, and loves to talk about it."</p>	

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<p>WKU - Notecards - Dorm - Complaint</p> <p><i>Includes: Dorm - Problems</i></p> <p>College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Jan. 18, 1972 - Dorm - Complaint - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4839 4 Letter from Louis E. Schroeder complains about the arrangement of comodes [sic] and lack of doors to stall in keen Hall. Stalls are reflected in mirrors.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Feb. 8, 1972 - Dorm - Problems 1972 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4844 3 Major complaints at South Hall symposium last week were: 1) Open visitation 2) Dorm kitchens 3) Abolition of hours for women 4) Room inspections About 40 attended</p>	<p>1972</p> <p>Students Dormitories Residential facilities Complaining</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dorm - Compulsory</p> <p><i>Includes cards:</i> Dorms: Mandatory Dorms - Required?</p> <p>College Heights Herald, April 24, 1970 - Dorms - Compulsory 1970 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4941 4 Editorial: Says it is absurd to force underclassmen to live in dorm. Murray State University has announced policy requiring freshmen & sophomores under 21 to do so. "The moral of this story is simple: the freshmen once again bear the brunt of a university's poor planning. It never fails for the freshmen to be made the scapegoats of an administration's oversight and lack of foresight." Dorms - "sterile, anasthetic atmosphere"</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Friday, March 3, 1972 - Dorms - Required? 1972 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4858 4 Editorial. May empty dorm rooms on campus. WKU is only state university in Kentucky that does not require at least freshmen to live in the dorm. Rumors that requirement may be started here is denied by administration. Says 69% of freshmen last fall selected dorms. 55% of sophomores did. Hubert Griffin says situation is OK as long as occupancy is at least 80%. Must collect about \$980,000 per year to retire bonds. Last fiscal year, it was \$1,135,1633. Hubert Griffin says WKU is trying to make dorm living more attractive. Has started installing kitchens, etc. Editorial doesn't believe mandatory dorm living would be solution - "It will create problems of its own." 4 Editorial (Visitation) "The present dormitory situation at Western, like that of most other universities, hamper's ones ability to develop healthy, mature relationships with the opposite sex. But the picture is changing. As more and more schools offer coed living, others will have to follow suit or risk a declining enrollment."</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Jan. 15, 1974 - Dorms: Mandatory 1974 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3519 1 Starting in fall, 1974 freshmen (with some exceptions) will be required to live in dorms for 4 semesters. Regents approved Saturday on Dero Downing's recommendation. Should eliminate last year \$322,000 deficit. Will not affect students currently enrolled. W.R. McCormack: Students "should be on the campus and not in some home." Steve Yater: necessary to pay for dorm. WKU was only Kentucky state school without some such rule. Florence Schneider Hall will become a continuing education center. Potter Hall was closed as a dorm, will be used for administrative affairs.</p>	<p>1970-1974</p> <p>Students Dormitories Residential facilities</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dorm Council</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Dec. 7, 1951 - Dorm Council 1951 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2848/ 10 Potter Hall council consists of 12 members. Violation of dorm rules appear before the council each Monday night. 12 elected voting members & 1 advisory non-voting member.</p>	<p>1951</p> <p>Students Dormitories Residential facilities</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dorm Inspection</p> <p><i>Includes cards: Dorm Searches?</i></p> <p>College Heights Herald, Feb. 24, 1966 - Dorm Searches? 1966 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4680 4 Editorial "Is Dormitory Room Search Invasion of Student Privacy?" Doesn't really arrive at any answer. Says search are being made now to find cooking devices, that are not allowed.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Thursday, Aug. 28, 1980 - Dorm Inspection 1980 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5528 1 Mike Baker, Cincinnati senior, believes WKU's room inspection policy infringes on student rights. Will introduce resolution Tuesday at Associated Student Government meeting. Says he will take WKU to court if necessary. Policy now is to require 2 inspections a month with times & dates being posted in advance. Will</p>	<p>1966-1981</p> <p>Students Dormitories Residential facilities</p>

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be by dorm director or assistant. Policy states that ". . . the university reserves the right to enter the resident's room whether the resident is present or absent in an emergency in the case of an apparent violation of university regulations and for routine maintenance." Housing Director Horace Shrader said his office had received few complaints.

3 Mark Wilson, Associated Student Government Vice-President, opposes Mark Baker's stand. "the bill is detrimental to the safety of students living in Western's dorms . . . individual freedoms sometimes must be sacrificed for general public safety."

Sept. 4 [1980] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5526

2 Resolution that room inspections be made only with the resident's permission (and were illegal otherwise) failed at Tuesday's Associated Student Government meeting, 16-13.

Thursday, Sept. 11 [1980] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5524

4 Editorial Says the "protective" inspections are not needed, accomplish little good. Violations are hidden away until the inspections are over.

Thursday Sept. 18 [1980] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5522

The Kentucky Civil Liberties Union is going to study WKU's dorm inspection policy. Paul Deom, WKU junior wrote KCLU, charged that the inspections violated his rights.

Thursday, Oct. 23 [1980] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5532

1 Says Kentucky Civil Liberties Union plans to challenge WKU's dorm inspection policy in a federal district court. It will have to find an attorney to take the case.

2 Michael Taylor, president of WKU's chapter of KCLU has agreed to be a plaintiff as has Lonnie Sears, Elkton sophomore & Paul Carter, Tomkinsville, senior.

Thursday Nov. 13 [1980] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5547

1 Associated Student Government on Tuesday defeated a resolution calling for an end to room inspections by 29-4. (Vote on Sept. 3 was 16-13).

4 Editorial: Is critical of Associated Student Government for this vote - which "is hard to believe." Doubts that it expresses the wishes of the students.

6 Bowling Green attorney Flora Stuart has expressed possible interest in taking the KCLU case.

Nov. 20 [1980] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5544

1 Bowling Green attorney Flora Stuart has agreed to represent students who are challenging the room inspection policy. Flora Stuart: "It is our overall desire to settle this matter without going to court. It's my hope that the university will realize that students' rights are being violated by the inspection policy."

Dec. 4 [1980] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5541

6 Associated Student Government on Tuesday passed resolution 24-9 asking for stricter rules for entering dorm rooms to inspect them.

College Heights Herald, 4-30-1981 - Dorm Inspection 1981 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5665

Kentucky Civil Liberties Union has dropped possible lawsuit over dorm inspection policy. The revisions made earlier this month were considered satisfactory.

<p>WKU - Notecards - Dorm Life</p> <p>Brooks, Dorothy, sketch - Dorm Life +/- 1940 Describes a late night girls' party in dorm +/- 1940 era. Office girl comes around to make room check to see if all are in . They smuggle in food for a late evening meal. Lights were off at 11:00 p.m. But Mrs. Penic checked around midnight and found all of this in the room, sleeping on mattresses they had carried in. She was most disappointed by her service girls. They apologized to Mrs. Penick the next morning before breakfast.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Nov. 2, 1978 - Dorms - Life - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3420 14A Story on dorm life. In early 1960s women had to be in at 9:30 weeknights with one 10:30 night. Women leaving residence hall after 7:00 had to sign out - where, with whom, time. Then, check in. "Room campus" - girl had to be in room at 7:00, couldn't have visitors, had to sign in at office each hour, 7 to 10. "Hall campus." 15A Men weren't subject to these rules. One pay phone on each floor, but it couldn't be used after 11:00. Mrs. Anne Murray; "There was many a lover's quarrel that couldn't be resolved until the next day." First TV sets about 1959. Privately owned TV & stereos were not allowed until about 1963. Mrs. Murray: "Parents were seen as part of the educational process much more than today. They were kept informed."</p>	<p>1940-1978</p> <p>Students Dormitories Residential facilities</p>
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<p>WKU - Notecards - Dorm Occupancy</p> <p>Includes cards: Dorm: Full Dorm: Spaces Dorms: Applications</p>	<p>1960-1976</p> <p>Students Dormitories Residential facilities</p>
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Kelly Thompson Papers: 19 - Dorm: Spaces 1960

Housing
 Memo Billy S. Smith to Kelly Thompson, July 23, 1960 - Chart showing status of dorm reservations as of July 23. (Frequently Kelly Thompson has taken care of a student with some pull by saying he had made a family reservation that wasn't being used ---).
 Bill Smith lists the openings as "President"
 Women - Men
 McLean - 8 - East - 6
 West - 6 - North - 6
 Potter - 6 - South - 6
 New - 6
 [totals] 26 - 18

Memo: Sept. 6, 1960 - Every dorm is completely filled except for the spaces held in President's name. Filled all (36) cancellations from waiting list.

College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Feb. 10, 1970 - Dorm Occupancy 1970 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4927
 1 Mr. Harry Largen says dorm occupancy is lowest ever. Only 83% this spring. Was 95% in fall, 88% last spring. Says Housing & Dining Revenue Board System is a consolidated plan which pledges income from dorms & feeding facilities to the payment of bonds. Only Potter, Florence Schneider & McLean are debt free. Their income helps pay off the others.

College Heights Herald, Friday, Oct. 5, 1973 - Dorms: Occupancy 1973 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3503
 Dorm occupancy rate is lowest this fall than it has been in 4 years.
 1973 - 4252 - 91% (4670 is capacity)
 1972 - 4342
 1971 - 4452
 It came despite numerous improvements in dorm living.
 2596 women
 1656 men
 Now 340 students in private rooms; only 33 in fall of 1971.

Tuesday Oct. 9 [1973] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3502
 1 Correction. Hubert Griffin reports correct figure for fall 1972 is 4195, so the 4252 this fall is an increase.

College Heights Herald, Friday, April 19, 1974 - Dorms: Applications 1974 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3544
 1 Applications for dorms for fall 1974 are up about 15% over last year. Most of the increase has come from non-freshmen. Only about 200 freshmen were off campus last fall.

College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Sept. 17, 1974 - Dorms - Occupancy 1974 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5018
 1 Horace L. Shrader, interim director of housing, said dorms are at 96.6% of capacity. 4,204 in dorm up 8% over last year. 17% more men, 2.5% more women

College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Aug. 26, 1975 - Dorms Full 1975 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5157
 1 All dorms are expected to be filled with no private rooms available. Potter Hall has been reopened, 144 spaces.

College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Aug. 24, 1976 - Dorms - Full 1976 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5318
 B1 All dorms are filled, & some students maybe housed in a motel for brief time. No students have private rooms. Capacity is 4950, 2068 men, 2882 women

Aug. 31 Tuesday - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5316
 1 73 men still don't have a place to live. The 23 women on list have been placed. Housing office is called no-shows to see if they are coming. Only 9 of the 73 had applied before coming to campus.

WKU - Notecards - Dorm: Potter Hall

Henry Cherry Papers: Box 3 - Dorm - Potter 1920
 General Correspondence 1920
 Draft of bill to provide money to build dorm. Present dorm will take(?) only 120; Bowling Green is very congested; rest of 1800 students are girls. Asks for \$150,000 on Jan. 1, 1921 and 150,000 on Jan. 1, 1922. Dorm will house 300, kitchen, dining room, toilets.

D.X. Murphy & Bro., Architects, Louisville to Henry Cherry, Jan. 21, 1920 - They are submitting plans & sketches for a dorm of 3 units. (Describes it.) Says kitchen and dining room will take care of 600 students. Estimated cost, including furnishings - \$300,000. Cost of heating boilers is included; ultimately, there should be a central heating plant. Building is designed to allow additions.

1920-1923

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<p>Henry Cherry Papers: Box 6 - Dorm: Potter Hall 1923 General Correspondence 1923 Henry Cherry to Prof. John H.C. Fritz, St. Louis, July 27, 1923 - We installed Murphy beds that fold into a closet 2 years ago & are highly pleased with them. We use curtain instead of door & Henry Cherry things this makes the bed more sanitary.</p> <p>WKU - Notecards - Dormitory - New</p> <p>Includes cards: Dorms - Good Dorms Open</p> <p>Henry Cherry Papers: 12 - Dormitory - New 1928 General Correspondence 1928 Mattie McLean to Ella Armes, W---, WV, Nov. 13, 1928 - New dorm for girls (white stone) [Schneider Hall] & Manual Arts building are going up rapidly. "The Hall is beautiful in its fall colors . . ."</p> <p>College Heights Herald, March 28, 1962 - Dorms - New 1962 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2184 1 Plans for summer start on 2 new dorms 11 story one for men 410 \$1,300,000 [Minton Hall] 4 story for women 230 800,000 [McCormack Hall]</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Jan. 18, 1957 - Dorms Open 1957 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2935/ 1 East & South Halls are to be ready for occupancy Jan. 26. (Term starts Jan. 28). Will house 428 men. Room will be \$3.50 per week, double occupancy. Cost +/- \$1,080,000. Construction started in Dec. 1955</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Feb. 22, 1957 - Dorms - Good 1957 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2933/ 5 "Rave" story about the new dorms for men - some of the most comfortable dorm living anywhere in South. Each floor has "two large conveniently located bathrooms furnished with the most modern fixtures." Phones - 2 in lobby, an office phone & 1 on each of other floors. Possibility of mail delivery is being worked on. Typical response when asked how you like them: "They're just a little far from the Hill, but when they're this nice who cares!"</p>	<p>1928-1957</p> <p>Students Dormitories Residential facilities</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dormitory Policy</p> <p>Includes cards: Dorm - Hours Dorm Policy Dorm Rates Dorm Rules Dorm Rules - Women Dormitory Rules Dorms: Fee Ended</p> <p>University: History - Dormitory Rules 1921 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/8535/ Faculty Minutes: 1907-33 Jan. 30, 1921 - A discussion relative to the spiritual side of the Dormitory was introduced. This included conduct at the table, decoratin, method of sitting at the diming table, returning thanks, etc." Decided that seniors be asked to serve as heads of tables for at least 10 weeks.</p> <p>Paul Garrett Papers: 3 - Dorm Rules 1946 1941-46 R Mrs. H.E. Ricketts, B---, to Paul Garrett, June 22, 1946 - Horrified to learn from diary that daughter Ellen, brought up in good Christian home, etc. has 3 imes at WKU been under indluence of liquor. When I went to WKU, "drinking was unknown." You must stop 'it.' When I sent her there, assured "she would be under the influene of high standards of ideas as we were under Henry Cherry. "These teen age girls should be required to be in their dormitory at dark, studying. They don't need to go to the library even, as they have the day light hours to study there. As it is, they have hours to go any where they please after dark & get in all kinds of mischief." Can't you change this? "From now on please see that Ellen is in at dark except for Sat. and Sun. night dates" Wants name & address of these 3 girls (names them) so I can notify their mothers. Not too critical of you, since the kids think they are grown. "You have to be more positive & determined than they. How about starting evening prayer in the dormitory where they all get together, read the Bible and different ones called on to pray." Have short talk on problems of youth by your best religious youth leader or preacher. Mr. Ricketts & I are having family prayers from now on."</p> <p>Paul Garrett of Mrs. Ricketts, July 12, 1946 - Our dorm rules are about same as those of other colleges. Can't keep thim in in evenings, so we have Cedar House &</p>	<p>1921-1984</p> <p>Students Dormitories Residential facilities</p>

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library open. In such cases as you mention, I tell them I will overlook the 1st offense if not too bad, but I must notify their mother. A second violation results in dismissal. (He ignores her request for names of other mothers. This is way he frequently handles such problems.)

College Heights Herald, March 26, 1948 - Dorm Rules 1948 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4568

5 Story on Potter Dorm rules. Seniors may be out until 10:30 each evening except Saturday when it is 11:45.

Juniors - may be out any evening except one.

Sophomores - must be in at 9:30 2 nights per week

Freshmen - must be in at 9:30 3 times a week.

Quiet hours start at 8:00. Rooms are checked at 11:15. Cafeteria in Potter - 300 seated

College Heights Herald, May 7, 1948 - Dorm Rules 1948 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4565

3 West Hall [Potter Hall] girls adopted some new rules that have been approved by the Dean & President.

11:15 p.m. permission on Sunday nights to allow for seeing movies.

Sophomores can have two 10:30 nights between Monday - Thursday instead of one.

Juniors may have 3

Seniors continue with 4.

Girls may spend night out in town on Friday or Saturday once a month. Living room is open to guests 12:30 - 7:30 pm and on weekends 12:30 to closing time.

Dancing is permitted until closing times on Friday & Saturday nights.

Eastern Kentucky University, Robert Martin Papers - Dorm Rates 1959

Box 157 Folder: Thompson

Kelly Thompson to William O'Donnell, March 2, 1959 - We are thinking seriously of raising our dorm rates. Gives WKU's current & projected. Can you let me know what your rates are. Same letter to Adron Doran, Ralph Woods & R.B. Atwood.

Kelly Thompson Papers: 50 - Dorm - Rules

Dean of Student Affairs

Memo: Dean Charles Keown to Kelly Thompson, May 6, 1966 - Rule is that men be in residence halls be 1:00 a.m. Monday - Tuesday & Sunday. No hours for Friday-Saturday. Thinks we are only college in Kentucky to have such a rule. "It is not feasible and would be practically impossible to enforce this regulation . . .

We, therefore, plan to remove this regulation without fanfare or announcement effective for the fall term." Majority of girls want their hours retained, but increased to 1:00 a.m. Friday & Saturday.

College Heights Herald, Oct. 6, 1966 - Dorm Hours 1966 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4700

4 Some changes in dorm hours. Freshman girls may sign in 30 minutes later (at 10:00) during the week. All coeds - 1:00 a.m. on Friday & Saturday. "Let us hope that the activities offered on campus and by the community will warrant taking advantage of these later hours."

College Heights Herald, Feb. 29, 1968 - Dorm Rules - Women 1968

4 Editorial. Student committee is studying these out-dated rules. "The dorm restrictions at Western best exemplify the Puritan spirit of the double standard." Why different rules on smokin? On dorm hours for women on academic probation but not men? Parental permission to be out of dorms on weekends? Why any limits on hours in dorms? Winky Menser, president of Associated Student Government has appointed the committee.

College Heights Herald, Thursday, Sept. 18, 1969 - Dorm Policy 1969 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4764

1 New dorm hours policy has been put into effect for women. Sophomores 21+ have 12 o'clock permission Sunday-Thursday

Freshmen - 11 pm Monday - Thursday & 12 pm Sunday

All 2 a.m. Friday & Saturday

Blanket permission card from parents for entire semester

College Heights Herald, Friday, May 1, 1970 - Dorm - Rules 1970 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4949

5 John Lyne column, "Lyne-up" - Says filling up dorms might be solved by less stringent rules. Some problem areas:

1) Room inspections

2) No visitation hours

3) Double-standard for women - such as ban on cigarettes, women's hours

College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Sept. 22, 1970 - Dorm Rules 1970 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4973

1 275 of the 400 women in Rodes-Harlin have signed petitions urgin the administration to "abolish these obsolete and insane rules." Dorm hours. Says rules are "a direct infringement upon our rights as free individuals. We demand that these restrictions be abolished immediately. If our demands are not met we will take action ourselves to abolish these obsolete and insane rules. We are not prisoners; we are free individuals." Meeting with Charles Keown who said costs would be considerably higher. Security was a prime concern. Charles Keown said WKU had been studying the issue for some time.

College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Oct. 27, 1970 - Dorm Hours 1970 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4975

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<p>1 Congress of Association Students passed resolution Thursday for abolition of dorm hours & sign-in boxes for women with possible exception of provisions for freshmen women. Charles Keown says it could not be done before next year at earliest - it would cost more to do it. Whole issue is receiving careful consideration.</p>	
<p>Oct. 30 [1970] - (20-12) - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4957 1 Congress defeated motion that called for any "legal strike, boycott or any means that would work toward the abolition of women's dorm hours." John Lyne: "Although the University administration is not moving as swiftly as we might desire, they are not ignoring our requests."</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, Friday, Nov. 13, 1970 - Dorm Rules 1970 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4950 1 Dean Charles Keown met with Associated Student Congress last night. Said WKU will try to move toward some unregulated hours dorms but it can't be done before next fall.</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, Tuesday, March 2, 1971 - Dorm - Hours 1971 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4799 1 President Dero Downing approved recommendations for changes & coeds except for freshmen may select dorms that either have regulations or are open 24 hours. Self-regulated dorm will cost \$15 more per semester.</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Aug. 22, 1972 - Dorm Hours 1972 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4873 1 Freshmen women will now have same hours as other women in dorms. Second semester women may elect self-regulated hours.</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, Friday, Jan. 11, 1974 - Dorms: Fee Ended 1974 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3520 1 The \$15 fee in self-regulated hours dorms has been ended this semester. Because of bomb scares, night clerks have been placed in all dorms. So it wasn't right to charge the fee any longer. 16 33 night clerks are now employed.</p>	
<p>Regents Minutes, May 31, 1975 - Dorm Policy 1975 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1975/spcl/2/ Dero Downing reported great improvements in dorms with better facilities(?) & with increased occupancy. Only 1 incident in open hours required disciplinary action. Proposed policy be continued with students having option of open house or non-open house when selecting rooms. Lengthy discussion, then passed.</p>	
<p>Dero Downing Papers: 20 - Dorms: Policy 1978 Housing 1978 Not dated. "Proposals for Changes in Housing Policy" by residents of Peace-Ford Tower. 6 pages, single spaced - "We feel that many of the policies imposed on us without our consent by the Administration and the Board of Regents are distasteful and unacceptable to the mature young adults which constitute a majority of our dormitory community." "We seek the redress of our grievances in measured and moderate language, but as time drags on and only token responses are given . . ." we feel more sympathy for the women of Rodes-Harlin who wrote in 1970 petition concerning self-regulation of ---. "We desired(?) that these restrictions be abolished immediately. If our demands are not met, we will take action ourselves to abolish these obsolete and insane rules. We are not prisoners; we are free individuals." Our top priority is to end the "door ajar" policy which "is an invasion of our privacy and an insult to our maturity." Each dorm should decide on visitation policies among several options. Co-ed dorms should be --- by next fall. Mandatory housing policies should be ended. Students should be allowed to paint rooms and design their living environment(?) as they please. Establish a cooperative dorm. Create special interest floors. Create Thematic Dorm or a Residential College. Student-built housing. ". . . a structure be created by which the students will have the final say concerning their living conditions in dormitories." "We hope . . . that Western will begin to take the lead among Kentucky regional universities on these matters instead of waiting for others to leap first into various academic chasms of potential change."</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, 11-20-1984 - Dorm Rules (Women) - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5701 Story dealing with several women who have been house mothers for women. Opal Nesbitt, on dorm mothers for men: "they didn't have anything to do." Discusses the regulations for girls - signing in and out, curfew. Mrs. Nesbitt once caught two men sitting in a tree trying to see in the windows. "I got a broom and went out there and whipped the tar out of them."</p>	

WKU - Notecards - Dorms

Includes cards:
Dorm Bid
Dorms: Changed
Dorm Named

Housing - Dorms 1900+
Card about 3 ¾ x 7 ½ with no date.
The Twin Rooming Houses

1900-1984

Students
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Residential facilities
Cafeterias
Rest rooms
Toilets

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Frisbie & Bailey Halls 1146-1148 Center Street for boys and girls
Rates for Rooms: \$1.50 and \$2.00 per week.
Rates for Meals: \$4.50 per week. 21 meal tickets \$5.00
A \$10.00 Prize Given Away Each Month

Gordon Wilson Papers: 2 - Dorms 1908
"Ups & Downs"

Gordon Wilson stayed at Cherry Hall in 1908, 1909 and 1910-11. ". . . I stayed in a dirty room and ate at the immense tables of Cherry Hall. The food was really pretty bad, often repulsive."

Gordon Wilson Diary, Dec. 14, 1967 - Dormitories 1908+
Old Cherry Hall (near the downtown location) had outdoor toilet some distance away behind Frisbie Hall. Water for drinking & bathing had to be carried from a hydrant in back yard. Used old-fashioned washbowls & pitchers. Waste water poured into buckets which were then carried to the outdoor toilet. Brought coal up in buckets from basement of Frisbie Hall, as did boys who lived in Bailey Hall. Bed springs sagged so badly it was like sleeping in a hammock. No screens on doors. "Some of us survived, however, Frankly, most of us had not been used to any better and rarely quite so good as these primitive conditions I have mentioned." Not sure, but Frisby Hall (his spelling) for girls probably had bathrooms.

Dec. 15, 1967 - Says that a group of boys who lived in old Cherry Hall got into habit of holding bull sessions in someone's room after supper. Discussed everything. Gordon Wilson's roommate, Corbett McKenney, called it "The Cherry Hall School of Philosophy." Gordon Wilson remembers hot debate over double moral standard. (He upheld single standard).

Henry Cherry Papers: Box 3 - Dorms 1920
General Correspondence 1920

Henry Cherry to Col. J.M. Williams, Berea, Dec. 9, 1920 - Henry Cherry says they sold Frisbie & Bailey Halls "the other day," & all of the school will be on the Hill. New dorm will be completed in early Feb. Has about 30 temporary houses in the Village - very attractive.

Daily News - Dormitory 1928
January 31, 1928 Page 1

Plans for a new dormitory were made at the Western Teachers College. "The proposed building has been planned by Capt. Brinton B. Davis." ". . . it is understood that the present session of the Kentucky Legislature will be asked for \$225,000 with which to construct the building."
"The new dormitory, according to the plans will provide accommodations between 250 and 300 girls."

College Heights Herald, May 1928 - Dorm 1928 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/8505
2 Raymond Contracting Company is working double shifts in excavating for the new dorm. Constructed of Bowling Green stone, 3 stories high, it is to be finished in December. Will house 185 girls. [Schneider Hall]

Henry Cherry Papers: 59 - Dorms 1943
Special Correspondence L.T. Smith 1943

L.T. Smith to PFC Richard B. Brown, APO, New York, Feb. 8, 1944 - The 400 Air Cadets occupy both dorms. We've remodeled old stone house behind Training School & 35-40 girls are housed there. [Diddle Dorm]
". . . no one feels much like piddling around these days . . . Everyone wants to get the job done as quick as possible and get you fellows back home."

College Heights Herald, Nov. 22, 1946 - Dorms 1946 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4542
1 New dorm for women will be started as soon as possible (shortages of material). Not sure yet whether to build only central part or issue revenue bonds & do the entire \$400,000 now. Will face Russellville Road, house 160. [McLean Hall] Potter Hall will then be made into a dorm for men.

College Heights Herald, Jan. 16, 1948 - Dorm Bid 1948 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4573/
1 Bids for \$497,516 were accepted by Regents for new dorm.

College Heights (No "T"), 23:5 March 1950 - Dorms 1950
This issue is for summer school 1950.

6 All freshmen women are expected to live in dorm unless special permission is obtained. West Hall [Schneider Hall] - 200 girls \$2 per week, 2 to a room. New dorm opened fall 1949 [McLean Hall] 150 girls. Rate is \$2.50, 2 per room. A few singles for \$3. J. Whit Potter hall has been converted to dorm for men. 250. \$2 per week, 2 to a room. Number of small houses & apartments for married vets in Vets Village. Rates vary.
7 A few rooms for single men in Quonset huts. \$1.25 per week.

College Heights Herald, May 25, 1951 - Dorm Named - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2836/
1 The new dorm for women has been named McLean Hall in honor of Miss Mattie McLean who served 43 years as secretary to WKU's presidents. She started as Dr. Henry Cherry's secretary at Southern (9) Normal in 1902, retired in 1945. In 1907 she became secretary to Board of Regents & continued there until 1945.

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College Heights Herald, Jan. 21, 1955 - Dorms 1955 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2916/
 1 WKU has been allocated \$10,000 by state for preliminary plans for 2 dorms to house 500 students. Kelly Thompson says next Assembly will be asked to appropriate money for them. One will be for women, one for men. Will explore federal funds. Cost estimated to be between \$1.0 & 1.4 million. [North & South Halls]

College Heights 27:2, Feb. 1959 - Dorms 1959
 40 For women:
 McLean Hall \$63.00 semester, double room
 West Hall [Schneider Hall] 45.00
 Potter Hall 45.00
 New Residence Hall [North Hall] 72.00
 Rock House 45.00

For men:
 South Hall 63.00
 East Hall 63.00

College Heights 29:1, April 1962 - Dorms 1962
 17 Women:
 Potter Hall remodeled 256 women
 McLean Hall 150
 Regents Hall [Bates-Runner Hall] (1958) 184 (4 faculty apartments)
 White Stone Hall [Schneider Hall] 175
 [Total] 765

Men:
 East Hall (1957) 222 men
 North Hall (1957) 200
 South Hall (1961) 208 (2 faculty apartments)
 West Hall (1961) 208 (2 apartments & cafeteria)
 [Total] 838

College Heights Herald, Feb. 10, 1965 - Dorms 1965 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3863
 1 State Property & Buildings Commission gave approval last week to 2 men's dorms of 400 beds each & one women's dorm of 400. Will start plan. Expected to be ready by fall 1966. Would bring total on campus to
 Men - 6 - 1432 beds
 Women - 8 - 1996
 Regents OKed converting East Hall into dorm for women. Applications are up for next fall.

College Heights Herald, Sept. 29, 1966 - Dorms 1966, Fall - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4701
 4 Three new dorms opened this fall: Bemis Lawrence & Barnes-Campbell - men, Rodes-Harlin - women

College Heights Herald, Feb. 16, 1967 - Dorms 1967
 4 Editorial calls for study room to be included in the plans for new dorms. Should be away from noisy living area.

College Heights Herald, Thursday, Dec. 19, 1968 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2095/
 1 Because of recent fire in East Hall, women from there will move to South Hall in January & South Hall men will go to new Poland dorm. More emphasis being placed on WKU's fire program.
 4 Letter from Jimmy Lowe, Sophomore, South Hall. "Last year I lived in Central Hall [Minton Hall]. I had to move this year because Central was transformed into a girls' dorm.
 "So I moved to South Hall. Now I have to move elsewhere because, once again, girls are taking over.
 "I wish Adam had kept his rib."

College Heights Herald, 2/10/1970 - Dorms 1970 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4927
 Occupancy rate for dorm is lowest yet - only 83%. Was 88% last spring & 95% last fall. Pearce-Ford is scheduled to open next fall. Potter, Schneider & McLean are debt free, but their income goes into the pool to pay costs of the others.

College Heights Herald, Sept. 1, 1970 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4969
 Rate is 100.5% - a record. (Pearce-Ford was not ready).
 11 women's dorms - 2,647

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5 men's dorms - 1,784

College Heights Herald, Friday, March 27, 1970 - Dorms 1970 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4932
3 West Hall will be converted before fall into a dorm for women. (North, South and East have been in recent years.) Then all men's dorms will be located at far end of campus.

College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Sept. 1, 1970 - Dorms 1970 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4969
1 Dorm occupancy for fall is 100.5%. Housed are 4,431 students. 2,647 women in 11, 1,784 men in 5
2 Pearce-Ford was not completed in time to be used this fall.

College Heights Herald, Friday, Sept. 4, 1970 - Dorms - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4970
4 Editorial: "Like a gigantic monument to planning ahead while ignoring more pressing priorities of the day, the nearly completed Pearce-Ford Tower stands ready to house some 920 male students who to date do not exist." Calls it a "status symbol." Much greater need for married student housing & fine arts facility. Says national trend is for decreased enrollment. Levelling off has come to WKU.

Dero Downing Papers: 14 - Dorms
Dormitory Operations

Memo: Charles Keown to Dero Downing, Feb. 15, 1971 - Gives chart showing when each dorm was completed number of spaces. Shows how dorm spaces compare with FTE enrollment.

Potter 1921 - 236 spaces

Schneider 1927 - 142 spaces

McLean 1948 - 140 spaces

Then begin to increase rapidly

First one for men:

East 1957 - 202 spaces

& North 1957 - 180 spaces

1959 - 1

1960 - 1

1961 - 1

1962 - 1

1963 - 1

1964 - 1

1966 - 3

1968 - 1

1969 - 1

In 1971, dorms had 4,370 spaces. FTE was 10,126 = 43.1%. The building had kept close to a percentage of 4-45%.

Dero Downing Papers: Box 55 - Dorms 1971

Housing 1971

Memo: to Students, April 15, 1971 - Use of compact refrigerators will be allowed, starting fall semester 1971. Students may bring their own or rent one from a vendor.

College Heights Herald, Friday, April 16, 1971 - Dorms 1971 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4801

1 3 women's dorms - West, North, Gilbert - will have self-regulated hours next fall. --- --- must by [be] sophomore or higher, have parental consent, pay \$15 per semester fee. Compact refrigerators will be allowed in room starting in fall & all dorms will have a study room.

May 4 [1971] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4806

1 West Hall won't be needed - not much demand.

College Heights Herald, Friday, Sept. 3, 1971 - Dorms, 1971, Fall - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4814

2 Dorms have 34 more students than last fall. Pearce-Ford Tower is open, but Potter & Barnes-Campbell are closed for extensive repairs. Most dorms have rooms available.

College Heights Herald, Tuesday, April 24, 1973 - Dorms 1973 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5008

4 Editorial. Says Housing Committee did most of its visitations to dorm in late afternoon when they are usually at their best. Its after midnight "when the drunks come in and vomit all over the bathrooms" and "the cherry bombs and firecrackers set up a roar that would wake Henry Hardin Cherry" and "bigots on both sides hurl their most vicious racial slurs in their most ear-splitting tones" and "stereos and tape decks push their decibel count to the threshold of hearing and beyond."

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Complaints can lead to harassment. Not all dorm life is this bad, but it isn't as rosy as the committee saw it. "Probably the most accurate summation of the present situation is that dorm life is bearable. At least it is as long as the resident isn't too particular about where he washes his face, and if he has a good supply of cotton to stuff in his ears, and if he does all his studying in the library."

April 27 [1973] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5014
4 Says committee called at 4:30 but visits were later in evening.

College Heights Herald, May 3, 1979 - Dorms: Changed 1979 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3461
6 North and East, now women's dorms, will become men's dorms in fall. Poland, now men's, will become women's dorm in fall.

Self Study: SVII - Dorms 1982
Student Development Services
18 residence halls: men 6; women 12 Will house 5,212 (double occupancy). 16 family units

S VIII - Physical Resources
31 Women 12 - 3,221
Men 6 - 2,339
[Total] 5,460
This includes 3 per room in 3 dorms.
32 Peak demand was in fall 1981. Declined since

College Heights Herald, 4/26/1984 - Dorms 1983 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5871
Survey shows that students who live in dorms make somewhat higher grades than those who don't.

Class - Fall 1983 On Campus GPA - Off-Campus GPA - Difference
Freshmen - 2.41 - 2.37 - .04
Sophomore - 2.60 - 2.43 - .17
Junior - 2.72 - 2.61 - .11
Senior - 2.81 - 2.74 - .07

College Heights Herald, 4/5/1984 - Dorms 1984 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5908
Next fall each dorm will have a quiet area or floor.

Daily News 8/19/1984 - Dorms 1984
About 4,000 will live in dorms this fall, down +/- 130 from last year. Occupancy rate will be up because Potter & Schneider have been closed.

College Heights Herald, 12-6-1984 - Dorms 1984 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5697
The East Hall men are bitterly opposed to moving out at the end of 1984-85 so that it can be converted into a dorm for women. Call themselves "Beasts of East."
Proposed move comes from making Poland Hall co-ed next fall.

WKU - Notecards - Dorms - Men

Includes cards:
Dorm - Men
Dorm for Men

Regents Minutes, Dec. 19, 1956 - Dorms - Men 1956 - <https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1956/mtg/3/>
Names the 2 new dorms for men East Hall and South Hall. (were these the first dorms built for men?)

College Heights Herald, Oct. 24, 1958 - Dorm for Men 1958 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4610
1 WKU's preliminary application for federal loan of \$625,000 has been approved. Would be dorm for 200 men.

College Heights Herald, May 8, 1959 - Dorm - Men 1959 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4614
1 Federal loan of \$625,000 for construction of new dorm for men. Will be on Normal Drive South of East Hall, on part of practice field. State has allowed(?) \$50,000 for equipment.
3 204 students + 3 apartments

1956-1961

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Kelly Thompson Papers: 14 - Dorms - Men 1961
C - General

Kelly Thompson to Charles H. Clark, Bowling Green, March 4, 1961 - Explains that first dorms built for men open in 1957. But we can now house only 1/3 of over 1900 men. This is why we don't allow Bowling Green residents to live in the dorms.

WKU - Notecards - Dorms - Off Campus

College Heights Herald, Thursday, Sept. 29, 1966 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4701

1 Two private dorm complexes may be ready by next fall, will house nearly 2,000 students. Twin 14 story tower on College, Western Towers - site of the Bowling Green College of Commerce. \$3,000,000, 408 men, 408 women. Pool, etc. Local people. Others is also \$3,000,000. Would be on 15 acre tract at intersection of Chestnut Street & 31W Bypass. Towers would be 10 & 11 stories. Is being held up by protests from area residents. Memphis firm. Ogden Towers.

8 Editorial. Says that those who oppose it "threaten to deal education a double blow." Would deprive students of badly needed housing. Much of the 15 acres belongs to Ogden Foundation. It would realize a reported \$250,000 from the land, which would allow more scholarships to be offered. Ogden Foundation has awarded \$23,000+ this year to +/- 117 students. Park City Daily News September 21 called re-zoning to allow the dorms "capricious and irresponsible . . ."

"Those individuals who oppose it should reconsider their position and join with the Bowling Green citizens who unselfly(?) view the planned dormitory complex as another step toward a better University located in a better city."

26 ogden Towers would house 500+ men and 500+ women. Parking for 415 cars.

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Students
Dormitories
Residential facilities
Apartment houses
Parking

WKU - Notecards - Dorms - Visitation

Includes cards:

Dorm: Coed

College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Aug. 27, 1974 - Dorm - Visitation 1974 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5025

B2 Regents extended dorm visitation at summer meeting by 5-3 vote. Albert Moss, John ramsey, Greg McKinney, Lowell Harrison & Ronnie Clark; W.R. McCormack, Chalmers Embry, Gerald Edds. Each dorm can set aside 12 weekend during year instead of 6. Guests must check in & out, doors remain open. Friday & Saturday noon to midnight; Sunday, noon to 10 p.m. At least 1/2 voting (& 1/2 must vote) must approve. Floors can exclude themselves.

Dero Downing Papers: 20 - Dorm: Visitation 1975

Housing: Open House 1975

John D. Minton to Dero Downing, Oct. 24, 1975 "Report of Open House Survey" - Students 18 & older:

- 1) 91 - wants in hall or floor with non-visitation
- 2) 1,013 - want supervised open house
- 3) 2,069 - want to stay where they are regardless of visitation policy

Parents of those under 18:

- 1) 631 - gave open house permission
- 2) 40 - refused open house permission

Opinion poll of parents:

- 1) 179 - objected to visitation privileges
- 2) 3,665 - did not object

Of 131 students / or parents who indicated no open house, 78 later changed over to open house. (This probably surprised Dero Downing).

College Heights Herald, Thursday, Nov. 10, 1977 - Dorms - Visitation 1977 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5472

1 Associated Student Government tabled resolution Tuesday that called for support of the Pearce-Ford Tower petition & for WKU to recognize Student Rights Alliance as a representative group in dorm matters. (SRA was established by resident assistants & students in Pearce-Ford Tower). Tabled until next week after hour long heated debate. Louisville Amercian Civil Liberties Union will investigate WKU situation after recurring anonymous request from "Several Resident Assistants."

Dero Downing Papers: 9 - Dormitories: Co-Ed 1978

Board of Regents - Cole, John

Wayne T. Galloway, Summer Shade to Board of Regents, 1-18-1978 - Protests student requests for co-ed dorms. "What would be your feeligns if your daughter came home pregnant and unmarried? . . . Reason tells us that when men and women live together the tendency of all normal persons is to satisfy the normal desires of the flesh . . . How far will it go? Will the university stop with co-ed dorms or will they go on to support and allow a special bedroom that can be rented out to students for the night, as I understand others have done?" Your motto is "The Spirit Makes the Master." Are you going to call the "spirit of immoralization" that "was one of the major causes of the fall of Rome."

John Cole to Wayne Galloway, 1-31-1978 - Careful study is underway, etc.

Dero Downing Interview, 4/15/1985 - Dorm Visitation - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/698

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<p>Dero Downing often agreed with highly conservative element. But best judgment was that changing times required change in overly restrictive regulations. Dero Downing proposed modest changes. Point comes when one has to be firm. It comes with time(?). Students have wanted this for long time. Dero Downing - said no co-ed housing as long as he was president. No place in university for nude models - his artist brother thinks it was silly. Dero Downing wouldn't hear argument when department head came to see it. Dr. W.R. McCormack, a personal friend for 40 years & family physician, was perhaps one of the most conservative on Board. Dero Downing felt some changes had to be made. Some "differences of opinion."</p>	
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dorms Women</p>	<p>1958-1975</p>
<p>Includes cards: Dorm for Women</p>	<p>Students Dormitories Residential facilities Women</p>
<p>College Heights Herald, April 18, 1958 - Dorm for Women 1958 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4600 1 Final approval has been given for a new dorm for women. [Bates Runner Hall] Loan of \$693,000 approved. Will have 180 women + 4 faculty families. Will be on Russellville Road & 16th Street.</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, March 31, 1961 - Dorm for Women 1961 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4650 1 Federal loan of \$1,000,000 for a 6 story dorm for women has been approved. Kelly Thompson says it is 1st of 3 that are planned. Will be between Kentucky Building & heating plant. Total estimated cost: \$1,236,200. Will house 400. [McCormack Hall]</p>	
<p>Kelly Thompson Papers: 49 - Dorms - Women 1968 Residence Hall Directors Memo: Dean Charles A. Keown to Kelly Thompson, July 25, 1968 - Women's Residence Hall hours for 1968-69 Monday - Thursday Freshman 10:00 pm Monday - Thursday Others 11:00 pm Friday - Saturday All 1:00 a.m. Sunday All 11:00 p.m. All women leaving hall after 7:00 p.m. must check out - where, whom, when expected to return. Lounges open to visitors from 1:00 p.m. daily (Sunday, 9:00 a.m.) until 11:00 p.m. Sunday - Thursday and 1:00 a.m. Friday & Saturday.</p>	
<p>Dero Downing Papers: 14 - Dorms: Women Dormitory Operations 1971 Memo: Charles A. Keown to Dero Downing, Feb. 15, 1973 - Reviews dorm policies etc., recommends that self-regulated hours be established for women above freshmen level. \$15 fee. He can not support demands for room visitations or removal of all restrictions for women so that they would be as free of regulations as men.</p>	
<p>Memo: Dero Downing to Charles Keown, Feb. 25, 1971 - OK, put it into effect.</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, Friday, Oct. 17, 1975 - Dorms: Women 1975 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5093 1 Effective Oct. 31, curfew hours for womens' dorms will be ended. The 12 womens' dorms will operate on same rules as mens' dorms. Will comply with Title IX.</p>	
<p>WKU - Notecards - Dougherty, Russell, 1920-2007</p>	<p>1975</p>
<p>College Heights Herald, May 2, 1975 - Dougherty, Russell - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5073 B12 Story on him. (Was the Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Air Force's Strategic Air Command)</p>	<p>United States. Air Force Airmen</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing University Center</p>	<p>1970-1983</p>
<p>College Heights Herald, Saturday, Oct. 10, 1970 - Downing University Center - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4977 2 Most of Downing Center will be open today for homecoming although it will not be open for use for about 3 more weeks.</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Oct. 27, 1970 - Downing Center 1970 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4975 1 Official opener of Downing University Center will be Friday at 7:15 a.m., although all recreational facilities have not arrived. Movies will not be shown until later.</p>	
<p>Courier-Journal, Nov. 23, 1970 - Downing University Center 1970 Says it opened late last month & is an attractive and popular home away from home. Built for \$3,988,800 and equipped for \$355,100. Jim Pickens is director. Harry Larn is self-liquidating.</p>	
<p>Self-Study Report of Downing University Center, 1/3/1983 - Downing Center Revenue - 1978-79 - 1981-82</p>	

Bowling - 37,835 - 31,857
 Billiards - 33,194 - 19,038 [19,638?]
 Electronic games - 16,504 - 41,344
 Movie - 40,754 - 29,824

WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - 1959-1969

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College Heights Herald, May 22, 1959 - Downing, Dero 1959 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4613
 Now Director of Training School, he will replace E.H. Canon as registrar.

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Kelly Thompson Papers: 12 - Downing, Dero 1962
 Dean of Admissions

Memo: Dero Downing to Kelly Thompson, May 3, 1962 - In response to your request for an evaluation of my duties etc. "My greatest desire is to make the maximum contribution of which I am capable. In whatever capacity or at whatever task this may be, makes no difference. I fear that there are times that you may hesitate to call upon me because of your kind consideration of my time. I would be embarrassed if you do not give me every opportunity to relieve you of matters which do not require your own personal attention." Says his Admissions work is about 50% of his time. Rest has been spent on a variety of duties. Suggests that someone else be made sponsor of Freshman class.

Kelly Thompson Papers: 12 - Downing, Dero 1963
 Dean of Admissions

He is Dean of Admissions but is much more involved than that. But here & with others, it is evident that few final decisions are made before Kelly Thompson is consulted.

Memo: Dero Downing to Kelly Thompson, (misdated, Oct. 9, 1963), 8 pages - 26 item memo reporting to him on events since Oct. 9 when they conferred in the president's ome. Includes ex-students who visited, reports on chapel programs, etc.

College Heights Herald, Feb. 12, 1964 - Downing, Dero 1964 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4653

1 Dero Downing, dean of admissions, has been made dean of business affairs. Kelly Thompson says part of administration reorganization that has been under consideration for some time. Charles L. Zettlemoyer and Harry K. Lergen will join the staff soon. (Gives brief sketches of all 3.)

Kelly Thompson: 8 - Downing, Dero 1964
 Salary Apportioned(?) Anytime 1964-65

Dero Downing to Kelly Thompson, April 11, 1964 (handwritten) - "This not is for the specific purpose of expressing the appreciation which Harriet and I feel for the generous salary increment noted in the letter received last Wednesday. We will be pleased if we can contribute in a way that will justify such consideration." "The opportunities which have come to me in the years that I have been at Western continue to fill my heart with gratitude. My constant prayer is that I can in some way be worthy of the many gestures of kindness and understanding which you have extended to me." "I cannot help but wonder if I can measure up to what Western deserves in the area of responsibility in which I am now working. Once again, however, I pledge the very best effort of which I am capable." "I sincerely hope that in your concern for my adjustment to these new duties that you will not refrain from calling upon me for whatever help I can give in the multitude of problems and time-consuming tasks with which you are confronted daily."

Kelly Thompson Papers: 41 - Downing, Dero 1968
 Director of Athletics

Memo: Dero Downing to Kelly Thompson, Jan. 8, 1968 re: Ted Hornback's recommendation that 3 assistant football coaches be paid for August. - "I find it difficult to arrive at a firm conviction(?) on this matter as we see the continued trend, for members of the faculty to expect additional compensation in the form of stipends and ---." We probably need to have a meetin gon this matter, generally.

Western Alumnus 35:5 Summer 1968 - Downing, Dero 1968

9 "Veep Meets Challenges"
 1939 - graduated Horse Cave
 1943 - graduated from Western. Campus leader, outstanding student, basketball starter. Entered Navy as ensign 1943, was lieutenant when discharged in 1945.
 1946 - math & basketball coach at College High
 1950 - gave up coaching
 1956 - Director of College High
 1959 - Registrar
 ? - Dean of Business Affairs - 1 year
 ? - Dean of Admissions -2 years
 1965 - 1st Vice President of Administrative Affairs
 MA - Western 1947

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Education Specialist - George Peabody 1958
Married Harriet Yarnell. Children are: Kathryn, Dero [sic], Anne, Elizabeth, Alex

Courier-Journal, Aug. 24, 1969 - Downing, Dero 1969
Says Dero Downing is unknown quality off campus. Government official in Frankfort: "He's a hard man to gauge, he doesn't have much of a track record working in the shadow of Kelly Thompson."
A WKU faculty member: "President Thompson has put greater and greater dependence on Mr. Downing's judgment during the last five years." Some on campus believe Kelly Thompson had handpicked Dero Downing, but none will say so on record. Both Kelly Thompson & Dero Downing have reputations as builders. ". . . even Thompson's few harsh critics concede he has developed one of the most remarkable physical plants as a university campus."
Bowling Green man: said Dero Downing had taken on many tough jobs for Kelly Thompson. "I don't want to say he was the hatchet man - but Dero had the job many times of saying 'No' to certain persons or groups wanting favors."
Otto Mattei, Bowling Green educator: "I don't suppose you'll find a gentler man, a more soft-spoken person. I don't think Dero has made a single enemy - nobody can dislike Dero as a person." But a friend on Dero, asked if students might test him: "He's a strong man. The last way I'd care to approach Dero is through a belligerent or militant attitude."
"Having seen the glint in his eye before, I know his action would be quick he would not take a wait-and-see attitude and tolerate a break of the law." Has great capacity for work. About a month ago he went to hospital for surgery on varicose veins. Soon back in office, had to return to hospital, was fussing to get back on the job.

Courier-Journal, Sept. 12, 1969 - When he arrived on campus at 7:05 a.m. yesterday, Raymond Cravens, Rhea Lazarus, John Minton, Lee Robertson, Ronnie Sutton were waiting. Demanded to know why he was so late. Only had to move ---, etc. a few feet. He(?) & secretary Mary Hawes did that Thursday night.

Kelly Thompson Papers: 46 - Downing, Dero 1969
Bemis Lawrence (2 folders)
Kelly Thompson to Governor Louie B. Nunn, Sept. 5, 1969 - He & Dero Downing were in Frankfort Tuesday & Wednesday to thank some of the people who had been so helpful to WKU. Sorry he was out-of-town. "I know that you know that the Board of Regents has chosen a truly outstanding individual for this position. He is, as you know, exceedingly capable, honest, conscientious, and completely dedicated."

Dero Downing Papers: 51 - Downing, Dero - 1969
Governor's Office 1968-69
Kelly Thompson to Governor Louie Nunn, Sept. 5, 1969 - Says Regents here "chosen a truly outstanding individual for this position. He is, as you know, exceedingly capable, honest, conscientious, and completely dedicated."

Fred G. Karem, Administrative Assistant to the Governor to Dero Downing, Aug. 26, 1969 - "In casual conversation recently, I received the impression that some students and faculty there have uncertain feelings about you because of lack of an independent impression of you, apart from Dr. Thompson." Suggests an early fall symposium or conference of faculty & students to brainstorm about where the college is & what course it should take.

Western Alumnus 37:4 Winter 1969 - Downing, Dero 1969
2 Dero Downing to Alumni: "I share with you and all those who love Western sincere regret and keen disappointment in Dr. Thompson's resignation. We all recognize that his dedicated leadership will be sorely missed and his achievements will remain forever unequalled." "I feel humble but proud; I consider it a high honor and a great challenge."
4 Dero Downing became president Sept. 12, 1969. Had been Vice President for Administrative Affaris since that position was created in 1965. Is 47 . Horse Cave High School 1939
5 Graduated WKU 1943 - math
(More details - I already have them.)

WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - 1970-1977

Kelly Thompson Papers: 50 - Downing, Dero 1971
Shadowen, H.I.(?)
Herb Shadowen to Miss Georgia Bates, Secretary of Board of Regents, Jan. 28, 1971 - Copy sent to members at his request. Regents distorted story in Daily News that implied he was critical of procedure of selecting Dean of Graduate School & that pressure had been applied. "Nothing was said on the telephone which could be construed by the reporter to imply coercion of any kind by the president, and I resent this more than any other part of the article. At no time, have I been 'instructed to keep silent' or pressured in any way by President Downing. He has been forthright and considerate in every meeting and in every conversation I have had with him - both before and after he became President. He has always given me complete freedom to discuss any business matter with him or with the Board." Regrets the adverse publicity.

Dero Downing Papers: 11 - Downing, Dero 1972
Cheerleaders (Black Students)
Dero Downing to Joe Lane Travis (Regent), 9-12-1972 (After black cheerleader incident & meeting of Board's Executive Committee.) - "I have such a burning

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desire for Western to be the best and for every person in the University community to reflect credit on the school. Our inability to fully achieve these aspirations saddens me at times, and I have found considerable frustration in the dilemma which . . .

Daily News, Sunday, June 10, 1973 - Downing, Dero 1973

Regents yesterday named President Dero Downing to second 4 year term as president. It was an unplanned move by Dr. W.R. McCormack, chairman of the board.

College Heights Herald, Friday, June 29, 1973 - Downing, Dero 1973 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/8414

5 At Board meeting (when?) Regents unanimously elected Dero Downing for a second 4 year term. Approved 1973-74 budget of \$25,994,992.

Talisman 1975 - Downing, Dero 1975 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/397/

Dero Downing said his administration tries to encourage fairness, integrity, honesty. "Individuals who are associated with the University in any capacity have a responsibility to live the kind of life that would be exemplary. Their obligation doesn't stop after they've taught the class or provided the service. One reason Western has the strength it has is that many people accept this responsibility."

"I make no apologies for being categorized as a conservative. I don't view myself as any projection of a previous personality on campus, and I don't pose as an expert able to function in various areas of the University."

"I recognized when I accepted this position, that for me to attempt to be other than what I am would meet with disappointment . . . I don't try to project an image except that of dedication to the University. My efficiency alone couldn't go very far, so I work in coordination with others to combine the efficiency of everyone interested in our objectives. There are a lot of things I wish I was capable in."

Dero Downing Papers: 20 - Downing, Dero 1975

Housing - Required

Dero Downing to Jon Thad Humpert, Poland Hall, 11-26-1975 - In response to his questions about housing requirements:

One of them: Is there a simple answer?

Dero Downing - No: ". . . I find it hard to find simple answers to any of our issues these days."

Talisman 1976 - Downing, Dero - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/398/

193 Often arrives at office carrying trash he picked up walking across the campus. Rhea Lazarus: "Many a morning I've seen him come in the door with any trash he can find on his walk from home. He doesn't want others to have a negative attitude toward the appearance of the campus."

Says that in his 7th year as president Dero Downing "probably faces more pressures than any other president in the university's history." Rhea Lazarus: ". . . like a whipsaw. He's getting from both ends, from students, the Board of Regents, faculty, athletics, finances. There's no way you can avoid making people mad in such a position. You've just got to give both ends assurances you're trying, working for the long-range benefit of the university."

Rhea Lazarus of Dero Downing: ". . . a honest as anyone I've ever met . . . He's so concerned with the image and well-being of Western, almost to a fault. He loves to fish, but he won't go; he just won't leave Western in the sense of getting away for a few days or weeks. He has a complete involvement and commitment toward seeing Western attain that elusive greatness." Rhea Lazarus says that criticism of Western hurts Dero Downing personally.

Dero Downing seldom criticizes others. Relation with Regents has been strained, but he says "I have found a great deal of pleasure in working with a group such as the board in attempting to bring about desired improvements, working toward the quality in all our endeavors that we feel is so important." Says that differences of opinion are sure to arise in a complex situation.

Would pressure build to point he would consider resigning? Sometimes ". . . you feel absolutely that your problems and frustrations must surely be worse than anyone else's in the world . . . However, this feeling is no different from the feeling I had in any other job, and despite this feeling, there's a great deal of gratification that comes from the opportunity to work with people through this capacity."

Dero Downing: spends 4-5 evenings a week participating in some university function. "There's hardly any place I ever go without representing Western Kentucky University, either officially or unofficially."

194 Wilbur Jones taught at Training School when Dero Downing was director (1956-59) & remains close friend. Says Dero Downing: doesn't complain; accepts responsibility; careful planning; well-organized approach; "he's a good Christian man"; kind & considerate, but firm; deeply sensitive.

197 Dero Downing says job hasn't affected his health, but he has had problems. In 1969, varicose veins were stripped from right leg. Pushed too hard, & blood clot developed in a lung. In recent years, "serious sinus and bronchial problems resulting from allergies." Under treatment by Kansas City doctor & says he has improved. Dero Downing says he has been less active in recent years than he would like. WKU's future? ". . . a never-ending quest for academic excellence and our continued reallocation of resources to better meet the needs. One of the great things about an institution of higher learning is its daily changing and revolving life."

Paul Cook: "He's one of the hardest working persons I've ever had any dealings with. You know that anything he'd ask you to do, he's either done himself or is willing to do. This is a source of encouragement to those of us who work with him, and is part of the reason why I respect him greatly as president."

Rhea Lazarus: "He dedicates himself 110 per cent to his job; I've never known him to back off from any task. He's human, and he makes mistakes, but he's willing to admit them and accept the responsibility for them. His attitude toward Western is one of complete dedication. He lives, breathes and is consumed with the welfare of Western."

Walter Nalbach Interview, December 7, 1976 - Downing, Dero - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/882

53 Lowell Harrison: Well, how would you compare him with the other Presidents you've known?

Walter Nalbach: Oh, well, I don't know whether you can compare any of these people. You know, these people are, you know, historically in their time and I've

been, as I said, fond of all of them - of course, some probably some more than the other because maybe I had more association with that person, got to know him a little bit better. But, I've always been very fond of President Downing. He certainly has been, I would say this - that my dealings with him off-campus, on-campus - he's a very considerate, he's a very human individual - dedicated person and my judgment, he's doing a very fine job, because again, as I go back, man is of his time. Again, how can you compare man when one preceding president was maybe a little more forceful? But we reach a certain plateau economically that the funds are not as available, so maybe this anticipated growth is going to be limited. So you see, there are a lot of things that he controls where maybe one president was right time, money was available, he could do these things, see. Fortunately, we got a man that came in in a period of time who had the force and all these other fine traits to move along and get these things accomplished.

LH: Well, of course you would have had, I suspect, considerable contacts with President Downing during the period that he was Vice President . . .and would have worked with him on that.

WN: Oh yes, worked with him as Registrar, Vice President, and even when he was in Training School. I found him fair, dedicated, considerate, and a very capable person in his own way.

Christy Vogt Mollozzi Manuscript - Downing, Dero 1976-77

The administration was conservative - much of the "old boy" Western system. Mood on campus was "quietness, contentment or apathy - however you determine the difference." Had good relationship with Dero Downing. Felt that ". . . I could talk to him openly, directly and honestly." "His weaknesses were perhaps in his limited view of University issues because he had never left Western - his business /management background seemed narrow." Felt that she had good relations with different members of the administration.

Regents Minutes, Jan. 29, 1977 - Special - Downing, Dero 1977 - <https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1977/exec/1/>

After closed session Hugh Poland / John Ramsey motion to re-elect Dero Downing president for another 4 year term. William Buckman: important for Board "to take deliberate type action and have plenty of time to consider the alternatives before making a decision of this nature." No more discussion: passed.

Memo: William Buckman to Miss Georgia Bates, March 8, 1977 - Some small corrections. Said that he abstained on above vote.

Memo: Georgia Bates to Board, March 15, 1977 - Has made changes suggested, except that she has no record of Dr. William Buckman abstaining.

Jan. 29, 1977 - <https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1977/mtgs/1/>

Ronald Clark / Carroll Knicely moved to accept recommendation of Executive Committee that Dero Downing be re-elected for a 4 year term. Several members expressed admiration, support & appreciation. Passed unanimously. Dero Downing thanked them.

Daily News, Jan. 30, 1977 - Downing, Dero 1977

Regents yesterday reappointed Dero Downing as president to his 3rd 4 year term. He is 55.

Western Alumnus 47:4 Spring 1977 - Downing, Dero 1977 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/1950/

23 Dero Downing on Jan. 29, 1977 was voted 3rd term by regents. In Sept. 1977, he will have completed 8 years. He is senior among the Kentucky state schools. (Several pages of pictures of Dero Downing & family.)

Dero Downing Papers: 23 - Downing, Dero 1977

Military Service 1977

Mickey Riggs (Gary A. Riggs, Military Science) to Dero Downing, Aug. 20, 1977, 2 pages handwritten - Congratulates on great speech to faculty on Friday. "Mr. President, you care so much about Western Kentucky University what it is and what its future will be. I understand that as do many of the people on this campus. We know the love you have for this place; we share it with you . . ."

Wendell Butler Interview - Downing, Dero - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/688

"President Downing doing a good job, but his leadership's a different type from Kelly's [Thompson]. Kelly's retirement was more than a change in administration; he really signaled maybe the end of a certain era. Course a lot of eras were ending about then. The war babies had already got to college; the new buildings were up, you know. The need wasn't there. It was a change, a departure from a certain type of leadership."

WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - 1978

Courier-Journal 1-22-1978 - Downing, Dero

Earl Cox column, on Ohio Valley Conference outlook.

A "former Western player" - said "Dero is an outstanding human being, but he's conservative and he thinks that you can take a boy from Horse Cave, Allen County or Sacramento and coach him into a winner. Those days are gone. Under the present restrictions Western - and the OVC - can't get the image player and they have to gamble on the marginal player."

Dero Downing Interview, March 22, 1978 - Downing - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/695

2 Dero Downing: Well, actually, I had not received as much encouragement about coming to Western as I had hoped would be the case. I had played on three high school teams that had participated in the state tournament, and I thought the scouts would all be coming knocking at my door, and strangely enough, the one where

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I wanted most to go - and that was at Western where I had a brother, by the way, who enrolled at Western in 1937. And then when I graduated from high school in 1939 I wanted very much to come to Western, but I felt the only way I could attend college would be on an athletic scholarship. I received the most encouragement from the University of Tennessee. And I went to the University of Tennessee for - in those days it was permissible for a prospective student athlete to engage in tryouts. So, I went down to the University of Tennessee and had a tryout, and they offered me a scholarship. And I was thinking seriously about accepting the offer to attend the University of Tennessee, and then one late afternoon in March in the spring of 1939, I was out behind our house there at Horse Cave at the little barn where we kept the milk cow and I was out there milking, and someone came to the barn door and hailed me, and it was Mr. Diddle. And he pulled over a bale of hay and sat down there and said he had heard I'd been down at the University of Tennessee talking about going to school there, and he said, "Hell's flitters, they can't do anything for you at the University of Tennessee; you're gonna go to Western." And, of course that was what I had hoped I would be able to do, and he offered me an athletic scholarship, and I enrolled at Western, then in the fall of 1939.

James Bennett: What did an athletic scholarship entail then?

DD: Well, back at that time, the cost of attending college was comparatively low. The tuition, I think, was something like \$20 a semester, and room and board was also very, very reasonable, and every athlete had a part-time job. I know my job was to mop the floors. The tile floors in Van Meter Hall had to be mopped each day, and that was my job. I mopped those floors every day, and for doing that work and for participating in athletics, I received a full scholarship which included room, board, books and the entire cost of attending college. And dollars were mighty hard to come by in those days, and I'm sure it's hard, even for those of us who experienced it then, to fully comprehend as time has passed how difficult it was for families such as ours back in Horse Cave. There were seven of us, seven children in the family. My father and mother were great folks, but like so many families in those years the finances were right stringent, and I suspect that over the four-year period that I was enrolled at Western as a student that my parents didn't provide more than ten or fifteen dollars toward - and that would be in the form of a gift or something at the time of a birthday or something of that nature.

Dero Downing Interview, March 22, 1978 - Downing - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/695

12 Dero Downing: I came out of - Well, actually, when we returned from the European theatre operations, we came into Boston in 1946 and - well, I guess it was late '45 - and we put that old LST [landing ship, tank] (it had been beaten up pretty bad) and they put her in a shipyard in Boston and they were equipping it along with a lot of other ships that had been over in the European theatre to go to the Pacific. And the war with Japan had not terminated at that time, and I recall that while our ship was being outfitted for a different climate and a different type of operation, then the war with Japan came to a close. And then I stayed in the Navy along the eastern seaboard engaged in various activities that go along with helping put ships in moth balls and mustering people out and looking forward to the time that I would get out of the Navy. And it was in January of '46 that I came back to Bowling Green. Had no idea what I was going to do, and my wife and I came to Western campus and we went to various places on the campus to visit friends. We went by to see President [Paul] Garrett, went by to see Dr. [Kelly] Thompson, who at that time was director of public relations and assistant to President Garrett, and of course, went by to chat with Mr. Diddle and just generally to visit with folks. And while in the old administrative offices of Van Meter - that's where the president's office was and up on the second floor there was the alumni placement office, Uncle Billy Craig. We went up to visit Uncle Billy and Grace Overby and Billy called me in there and he said, "C.H. Jagers has sent word that he wanted you to come back over to the training school; he wanted to chat with you." And I went over to the training school and Dr. Jagers said, "We need a coach." Barry Lawrence was the coach at the College High School and then they retained their athletic team in basketball at College High. Back in those days it was grades one or kindergarten through twelve and they had their upper six grades, 7 through 12, was known as College High. And they had a pretty good little athletic program, in particular basketball, and during the two years that Barry Lawrence had gone in to the service who was coach there, Mr. Diddle and Mr. [Ted] Hornback were coaching the Western team; they were also coaching College High. Had an outstanding high school team; they'd been beating the socks off of everybody in this whole area. So, Dr. Jagers said, "We need a full-time coach and wonder if you would be interested in the job." And I said, "Well, I certainly would be interested in it." And he said, "Well, I'm going to call President Garrett and recommend to him that you be employed." So, I guess that it was about March of '46 then that they actually put me on the payroll. Mr. Diddle and Mr. Hornback suggested that I go ahead and start coaching that basketball team during the latter part of the season, along in the latter part of January and February, but I read the tea leaves right quickly, and recognizing that they'd been beating everyone and they thought they might even win the state tournament - and they did win their first game there - but I knew if I took over that basketball team for Mr. Diddle and Mr. Hornback - and both of them wanted to because they had grown a little bit weary of coaching both the high school and the college team - but if I won the state tournament with the team I would have been doing it with their team, and if I lost that first game or not gone to state -

JB: You'd have been in bad trouble.

DD: So, I told them I'd just wait until [the] season [was] over. So, that March they put me on the payroll at \$1800 a year. Sometimes as we struggle with these problems we have in our present day and age in trying to strengthen the salary structure, some of the criticisms are leveled at all of us, I suspect, from time to time, in wondering whether we have an insight into the economic problems that families experience. I can assure you that on \$18-00 a year you eat a lot of pinto beans.

JB: Right.

DD: So, I've been over that road, and you know salaries at Western in those years were extremely low. I remember when Dr. Garrett talked with me about taking [the] job, he said, "You know you can find a lot of things you can make a lot more money in." In fact, he even mentioned the fact that Mr. Diddle, who had already, of course, gained national prominence, even though he continued to grow in stature in the great career that he had as a coach at Western, but he pointed out the fact that Mr. Diddle was only making \$4300 at that time. And, of course, the statutes required that no person in the institution make more than \$7500, so the president of Western was making \$7500.

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Dero Downing: Well, I - from 1946 until 1951 I coached and taught Physical Education and Health. I coached basketball, baseball, track, tennis and golf and taught a full class schedule from 8 until 3, supervised the gymnasium where everyone brought their lunch - and most of the students at the training school back in those days brought their lunch rather than - they had no place, no cafeteria at that time. And they either brought their lunch or they would go to the Goal Post or the old Western lunchroom for their lunch. So, I supervised the lunch hour and taught from 8 to 3 and coached those four - and it was some of the most demanding years

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of my experience in our profession. And there are those who may have a feeling - and actually, my major field and what I taught later was math, and in the eyes of many that sounds more professional, sounds more academic, but I want to say to you that to be taught well and to engage in a professional program of physical education, it is one of the most demanding subjects to be taught. There are specific skills that need to be mastered; there are sequences of motor abilities to be taught, and there are those who think that teaching physical education - that all it is is tossing out a ball and letting them go at it.

JB: I've seen it done that way.

DD: But it's - if it is done in a professional way and I guess I worked as hard if not harder teaching physical education both at the elementary and high school level in College High as any of the teaching experiences that I've had.

JB: When did you begin teaching math?

DD: 1953. There was an opening in the high school math. Bernice Wright was a tremendous math teacher and she had working with her in the high school there a young fellow by the name of Hal Gilmore. Hal decided he wanted to go away and work on his doctorate and that left a vacancy in algebra and geometry and 8th grade arithmetic. So Dr. [C.H.] Jagers came and talked with me about the fact that my major field was math and that he would like for me to teach math. So, I told him that I would be delighted to do that and moved then into the teaching of math, and in 1956, one day Dr. [Kelly] Thompson called me and said, "We want to name Dr. C.H. Jagers, who is head of the training school, as head of our Department of Psychology, and we would like for you to be director of the training school." He said, Dr. [Finley] Grise is very supportive of you in that position, and as our chief academic officer he is willing for this recommendation to move forward with his endorsement if you would be agreeable to pursuing graduate study, primarily in the area of curriculum and supervisory instruction and some of the things that we feel that the director of our lab school should have, a more formal education." And I told him that I would be willing to do that. And, so I started that summer in taking graduate classes at Peabody, and then next fall - it was in the fall of '56 - I commenced as the director of the training school and had in the training school outstanding faculty members. And in those days we were doing all of our student teaching there. I know you would have - sometimes in your classes as many what we called in those days practice teachers or student teachers as you had students in the class. And it was in '56 that we commenced, however, to branch out into the public schools in our teacher education program. The experience as director of the training school was one which I enjoyed very much. I was amused one time at Mr. George Page, who was head of our Physics Department and continues as a valued personal friend. I had had some classes in physics under him. He was a little surprised to find that a basketball player was a pretty good physics student. I don't claim to have the greatest record that's ever gone on file in the Registrar's Office, but I always took great pride in having good standing in the academic community. So, I developed some friendship with Mr. Page having had classes with him in physics, and he stopped me on the campus after I'd been in this job about a year as director of the training school. And you'd have to know Mr. Page to appreciate his expressions and everything, but he cleared his throat three or four times, and he said, "I just wonder how you're liking your job, having replaced Dr. Jagers over at training school." And I said, "Well, I like it fine. Great faculty there and the spirit of the school is outstanding. The parents support the school program, good bunch of youngsters." I said, "I like it fine." And he cleared his throat again and he said, "Well, it's a good thing you do, because nobody else would have it."

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16 Dero Downing: In 1959, Dr. [Kelly] Thompson called me and I went over to his office and he said, I'd like for you to move into the position of registrar at Western." And I said, "Oh, my goodness! What's going to happen to Mr. [E.H.] Canon?" And he said, "Well the Board of Regents has initiated a policy which is going to make it necessary that Mr. Canon and a few other individuals in the university - or in the college - it will be necessary for them to go on inactive status." He said, "Mr. Canon is 74 years old." Well, I was flabbergasted, because E.H. Canon I thought at that time would have been more nearly in his early and certainly not more than his mid-sixties, because he gave every appearance of being much younger than his age at that time. But, at any rate, Dr. Thompson said that he would like for me to move into that position. He said, "Now, I don't want you to worry about anything with regard to preparation for it. Mr. Canon will be registrar until after our summer commencement. Summer Commencement is on Friday, August 7, and your tenure as registrar is going to commence on August 8, which is Saturday." Well, Saturday in those years, those days, was a right important day on campus. All the offices stayed open until noon on Saturday. And so we went through summer commencement, and no one could have been nicer to me at that time or since than E.H. Canon. But he very meticulously had cleared the office and cleaned out his desk and had made all the preparations for me to move in on that Saturday, August 8. And I went in there, and I didn't know anything about what a registrar was supposed to do, but I thought it sounded like that maybe the most logical thing was to call all your staff together - the staff was about four people at that time - and have a staff meeting, at least, and let them know that we were going to be teaming up to try to do the kind of job that would be a credit to Western. So, I shall never forget. We were there in the old registrar's office in that wing of Cherry Hall and Nancy Bryan and - oh, I can't recall the names of the others right now, but we were there and I was just about as serious as I could be and little bit edgy, of course in terms of moving into that position. The door opened; I don't know who the lady was. She had on a great flowery hat. She was to some extent, I suspect typical of many of the teachers who were returning for the completion of their studies. Many of them were on certificates having gone to school part time and going out and teaching. And she appeared to be one of those persons, a very gracious-looking lady. But she stuck her head through that door with that great big flowery hat and she said in a loud voice, "All I can say is there will never be another Mr. Canon!" Of course, I was taken a little bit aback and the staff was a little embarrassed for me, but my only reaction was (and I didn't have an opportunity to say this to her because she slammed the door and rushed away) - but I told the staff there, I said, "Well, I couldn't agree with anyone more, because I don't think there will ever be another Mr. Canon either."

Dero Downing Interview, March 22, 1978 - Downing (re: Raymond Cravens)

24 Dero Downing: No, we were greenhorns of the first order. We sometimes said amusingly to one another as our duties and responsibilities overlapped considerably - and I was very fortunate that Raymond was a patient and understanding person. You know, we couldn't have functioned as we did over some of those times unless we had been willing to accept the fact that there were no clear-cut lines where deaning ended and the registering commenced or vice-versa. And I was always willing as he was to just make up our minds that whatever it took to get the job done was what we were willing to do, and I've always appreciated his support and understanding of many of the problems with which we dealt, because had we not approached it in that way, I think we would have been hopelessly lost because of the overwhelming demands that just came through the pure increase in numbers of people with which we had to work.

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Dero Downing: We commenced at that time seeing some indications - along in '56, '57, '58 it was remaining around 1600 to 1800, along about that level. And one of the things that commenced happening about that time is folks started talking with me - I hadn't been in that registrar's position but a few weeks when people started callin gon me about the more sophisticated means through which operations such as the registrar's office could function if they would move to what they called in those days data processing. And Mr. Canon had always done it by hand, and I thought that I wasn't going to make the mistake of judging too quickly too far in terms of changing some of the procedures in the registration system. But I guess in many ways I was fortunate in having a more innovative and imaginative mind that moved into a collegial position right across the hall from me. Raymond Cravens became dean of the college succeeding Dr. F.C. Grise, and Raymond had experienced some fo the same conditions that I had in terms of going into that office to some extent unschooled and not totally unprepared, I certainly wouldn't say, but - not knowing exactly what to expect. But Raymond had a very fine mind in terms of innovation, in terms of more imaginative ways to do things, and I think as he and I have commented over the years to one another maybe there was a reasonable balance. I'm sure I tended to be over-conservative and there were times that I indicated to Raymond that I thought maybe he was a little too innovative, but through our working together in those years it was almost entirely a matter of the direction from that kind of activity in the university, in the college, to come under the supervision and the overall administrative responsibility of the dean of the college and registrar. And we came up with some pretty far-fetched ideas about how to register more quickly and how to get through that process with more ease in terms of the staff and faculty time and effort and also the smoothness by which it might be better done as far as the student was concerned. We registered in Cherry Hall, you know, and I always wondered how we got through some of the things that we palnned, because it didn't always work out just like it appeared to be on paper. But we did move to the more primitive configurations of the IBM data processing, and then we've gradually, I think, over the years brought about more sophistication into the processes. But the three years that I served as registrar were interesting ones; they were certainly learning years for me because I feel that the experience has been very beneficial to me in other roles in the university that I have attempted to fill.

We had a gentleman here who was head of Sociology Department, and I never will forget one day we were in a meeting of the department heads and we were preparing for a registration period and Dr. Cravens called on me as registrar to outline the procedures for registration. And I went before this group - and you could get the department heads at that time into just a small conference room because there were so few of them - I continued to refer to members of the faculty as teachers, and I'll always be indebted to Willson Wood because he came to my defense that day. Dr. Oates(?), who was head of the Sociology Department, got up before this group and he said, "Our registrar seems to think that the professors of this institution of higher education are nothing more than teachers." And he said that he was incensed that I would refer to members of our faculty as teachers. And Willson Wood asked to be recognized and, I tell you, he layed it on the line in terms of how proud he was to be referred to as a teacher. And that's a little sidelight to some of the knnds of things that would occur in your relationship -

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James Bennett: Okay, We're in business again.

DD: One of the things as registrar that is worthy of note is the fact that, in those days, the registrar was also the admissions officer, did all the academic advisement for students. And we had commenced then, in the '60s, '61 for example, 1961 - we had a 33 1/3% increase in our enrollment in that one year. And all of the admissions files were kept in the registrar's office; you did all of the admitting and the registering as well. And I gues sit was sort of a natural transition then that we underwent two or three years of that just almost unbelievable increase in enrollment. And Dr. [Kelly] Thompson called me in one day and he said, "I'd like to make a change: find someone else to serve as registrar of the college and ask you, if you would, to become Dean of Admissions." I told him that I would be willing to try. So, we set up the Dean of Admissions in the outer office of Dr. Thompson, who was president, and he asked me to give half time to the admissions process and half time to serving in sort of a role of, I gues you would refer to as Assistant to the President, sort of a trouble-shooting role, but my official title then commencing in 1963 was Dean of Admissions. I must say that in the years that have passed since that job from time to time looks awfully good.

JB: I bet it does. And, now let's see, you were in that job how long?

DD: Well, for about two years. We had some changes that took place, I guess it was, in about 1964 that required some attention in the business office, and late one afternoon Dr. Thompson called me in, and he said, "I'd like for you to continue to serve as Dean of Admissions, but I'd like you to move your base of operation over into the business office and osrt of serve as an anchor post there to take us through a period of time until we find (what in those days was) a business manager." I told him, "Now, I'll be willing to do it, but you're really moving me into an area that I don't have any knowledge of, you know." He said, "Well, you've had enough math training and you know enough about figures that at least you can add and subtract. And I want you to go voer there and rely on the good people we have there to continue to do the kind of job that needs to be done in the business office. But I want you there to sort of direct and supervise this until we find a person to take over in that area." And he said, "Well, it will only be about thirty days and then we'll have you back over here." That thirty days grew into sixty and sixty grew into one hundred twenty, and then I guess it was sort of anatural gravitation to less and less admissions function and more and more business function. And he indicated to me one day that he would like for me to identify the person that I would like to have work under me. He wanted me to be Dean of Business Affairs and to have a peson under me that would, in my opinion, be what in earlier years would have been our business manager. And we talked with a number of people, and I got words from some of our friends in Frankfort that there were some folks there we ought to hae a talk with, and one of them was Charlie Zettlemoyer. Charlie was with the Legislative Research Commission at that time and had been described to us as just an outstanding individual who would make a fine contribution. And I contacted Charlie; he was interested in this position. About that time I went to a professional meeting of business officers down there and while I was there I went to - Press Ordway had been chief business officer at Murray for years and years, and I went to old Press's room and I said, "Press, if you were looking for a single individual to head up the business functions, responsibilities - take the responsibility for fiscal affairs under you at Murray, to whom would you turn?" He said, "Well, there's a young fellow at Frankfort by the name of Harry Largen I think is just tremendous. He's with the finance department in Frankfort." So, about a half day passed and I was in the company of the chief fiscal officer at Eastern, and I asked him the same question, and he said, "You know, there's a young fellow in Frankfort that the more I see of him, the more I deal with him, I just think he's outstanding." I said, "Who's that?" He said, "Harry Largen." So, we were at the airport getting ready to come back and the chief fiscal officer at Morehead and I were chatting and I asked him the same question and he came up with the same answer. So, I came home and I told Dr. Thompson, I said, "Do you know a fellow in Frankfort by the name of Harry Largen?" And he said, "Oh yeah. I've seen Harry. He's with the Department of Finance in Frankfort." I told him what had happened and he said, "Well, you know Zettlemoyer wants to come and we know we can get him;

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we know he's an outstanding man. We better move in that direction while we can. However, when we go to Frankfort (in the next two or three days we were going up there), you talk with Largen and see what he has to say." So, I had never met Harry, went to the finance department, asked him if he'd join me in the cafeteria for a cup of coffee. Well, we went down and had a cup of coffee, and I said, "Did you ever think about working at one of the universities or one of the colleges?" He said, "Well, no, I never have, but I certainly have always had a lot of respect for Western. The people in finance have a great deal of respect for Dr. Thompson, and we think you all have a fine institution. What you have in mind?" So, I talked with him about it and he said he would be willing to come to the campus for a visit. So, on the way back home - we had flown up there that day and on the way back - Dr. Thompson asked me about him. And I said, "Do you know what I think? The thing for us to do is to hire Zettlemoyer and Largen if we can get them." So, we brought those two gentlemen into our program I guess it was in 1964 or early '65, and between them they provided - along with the other members of the staff in the business office - they provided me during the years I was in the business operation of the university just tremendous help and support and assistance that, had it not been for Harry Largen and Charlie Zettlemoyer and people like Hubert Hardaway and Lois Dickey and other in that business office area, I guess I would have been like a lost ball in high weeds. But then out of that business experience and operation, there came a point in time when Dr. Thompson, as we moved in to university status, felt that there should be reorganization that would call for a vice president's role, and he recommended to the Board of Regents and the board named Dr. Cravens Vice President of Academic Affairs and I was placed in the position of Vice President for Business Affairs. That's sort of a long, drawn-out, chronological resume, and I guess a bunch of it is more reminiscing than it is of any beneficial historical record, but that's pretty much how it occurred.

Dero Downing Interview 4/3/1978 - Downing, Dero - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/696

Born Sept. 10, 1921 at Fountain Run.

Graduated Western 1943, math

U.S. Navy 1943-1945

College High: math & basketball coach 19?-1950

MS - WKU 1957, EdS. - Peabody 1958

Math, College High 1950-1956

Director Training School 1956-1959

Registrar 1959-1962

Dean of Admissions 1962-1965

Vice President for Administrative Affairs 1965-1969

President 1969-1979

President College Heights Foundation 1979-

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Lanny Van Eman (departing) assistant basketball coach to Dero Downing, Aug. 8, 1978 - Thanks for the letter of good wishes you sent. "I think it is fair to say that this is typical of your administration that you have often given time to very personal and human situations."

College Heights Herald, Nov. 2, 1978 - Downing, 1978 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3420

2A His resignation becomes effective Jan. 8, 1979. Says there may be some decline in enrollment, but many factors are involved. "I think it's apparent that we've come a long way toward the development of a long-range master plan for Western and reached a point where there should not be the need for the same rate of growth and expansion of physical facilities." Needs a physical education facility. Maintenance of a fine physical plant is important - and expensive. He sees more control from state and federal agencies, especially Kentucky Council on Higher Education. ". . . I would see no reason for widespread changes. Certainly there are areas of the university to which improvements can be made. But frankly, I would not anticipate overwhelming, dramatic changes . . . but an ongoing, continuous involvement."

Informational Notes (President), Dec. 5, 1979 - Downing, Dero 1978 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/1654/

"Note of Appreciation.

"As my tenure as the fourth president of Western Kentucky University comes to a close, I am especially grateful to those of you who have given support to my efforts to serve Western in an effective manner . . . I feel very positive about the future of Western . . . A major strength lies in the dedication and commitment of those who continue to take pride in Western and are determined to make the University stronger and better in the years ahead.

"The fact that I have made the decision to give new direction to my activities in no way lessens these convictions nor does it weaken my personal commitment. I believe in the University. I have confidence in those charged with directing its future. I will be doing everything possible to substantiate this fact even though it will be in a different role in the future."

Regents Minutes, Dec. 9, 1978 Special - Downing, Dero 1978 - <https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1978/spcl/3/>

Board voted:

To provide temporary office space in Alumni Affairs to Dero Downing Jan. 8 - Aug. 15, 1978

Provide secretarial staff for reorganization of files & research.

Continue use of president's home for maximum of 120 days beyond Jan. 8, 1979.

Agreed upon unanimous.

Special appreciation dinner will be held in Garrett Conference Center on Thursday evening, Dec. 14.

Ellis, Tom. Interview - Downing, D. 1978 - http://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/699
"I hope that Downing can live through this thing down there. I swear I feel sorry for him. But if the faculty don't get with him, I don't see how he's going to do much."

Western Alumnus 50:3 Winter 1978-79 - Downing, Dero
 4-7 "Remember When? The Downing Years." Picture story
 4 Good student; varsity basketball & tennis; president of senior class.
 1946 - teacher (math) & coach at College High
 1956 - Director of Training School
 ? - Western registrar
 1962 - Dean of Admissions
 1964 - Dean of Business Affairs
 1965 - Vice President for Administrative Affairs
 1969 - elected president. Re-elected 1973, 1977, Resigned 1979.
"enormous capacity for work"
"absolute selflessness"
"sparing his remarks but accurate in his observations"
"deep pride" in WKU

Courier-Journal 1-6-1979 - Downing, Dero 1978
 Article on Dero Downing's last day as president. *"Downing is known for constantly picking up waste paper and drink cans on the campus and [Owen] Lawson said he would have to hire two people for the cleanup crew to replace the one he's losing."*

WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - 1979-1984

College Heights Herald, Jan. 11, 1979 - Downing, Dero - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3435
 9 Alan Judd, "Bidding Farewell" article. WKU in 1939: *"It was a friendly place, a place where faculty and staff made it known that they were sincerely interested in the individual student."*
"I think there is some uniqueness about Western. The university has a character a personality, if you will, that grows out of an attitude or a sense of pride and a sense of dedication."
 10 Some of the people he mentioned: E.A. Diddle, Kelly Thompson, Gordon Wilson, Frances Richards, H.L. Stevenson (Stephens?), G.G. Craig. *"I guess Mr. Diddle and Dr. Thompson had about as much effect on my life as anyone."*
 11 He will spend his sabbatical organizing his files & papers. Not sure what he will do then, but it won't be full-time. *Is positive about WKU's future. Has no second thoughts about resigning. "I just want to see as time goes on that this degree of excellence is not only maintained, but is made even greater."*
"Among Western's four presidents, Downing's distinction may have been his stabilizing influence, his ability to never let things get out of perspective."
"That ability helped keep Western stable at a time when the university was changing greatly, but not really growing larger."
"Western has not grown a lot since 1969, but it has matured gracefully. It has become a large university, but not so large that it has lost touch with and stopping caring about its students." Thanks to Dero Downing for that.

Talisman 1979 - Downing, Dero - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/402/
 134 Dero Downing resigned Sept. 9, 1978. His long range health was main reason.
 136 Started teaching & coaching at College High at \$1,800. Director? Became registrar 1959, Admissions 1962, Business Affairs Dean 1964, Administrative Vice President 1965. Wasn't seeking presidency. *"All through that series of changes, on no occasion was I seeking that position. I expressed the willingness to attempt that if it was in the best interest of the university. I (136) just thought I ought to do whatever the coach of the team thought would be best. That's always been the philosophy I've had."*
"He makes no apologies for his somewhat reserved personality. His handshakes are friendly, but firm. He is a serious and conservative man, but one who can laugh and smile easily."
"We fell short of that which could have been done by our limited imagination and anticipation. But there was never a lack of effort, desire and willingness to work."
"We continued to improve and add emphasis on library sources, holdings and services. We continued to develop the university's master plan."
"A significant part of our efforts was devoted to the retention and continual strengthening of some of those aspects of the university some forces wanted to see us relinquish or lose."
"I don't want to give the impression that it was burdensome or unduly demanding and unpleasant. It was challenging and rewarding."
 140 No immediate health problem. *"But I had a recognition of the fact that in the long range I needed to have a better control of my health situation. It's awfully hard to accomplish that when you're president . . . It tends to take its toll after a long time."*
"I'll never be indifferent to what goes on on the Hill. It just means too much to me . . ."

Kelly Thompson Interview by Lowell Harrison, 9/27/1979 - Downing, Dero
 Re: W.R. McCormack - Dero Downing. W.R. McCormack's conservatism was compounded by association with other doctors who were also conservative. W.R. McCormack was unable to accept integration at WKU. He accepted as true exaggerated stories about number of blacks, inter-racial dating, etc. W.R. McCormack

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say [saw] dorm visitation as a moral issue. Kelly Thompson says report from Student Affairs was somewhat mishandled, should probably have been sent back to committee for more study to allow a cooling off period. Charles Keown & others became defensive about it. Kelly Thompson says Dero Downing-W.R. McCormack differences were like a grass fire that can be put out easily if caught in time but can suddenly blaze out of control. Kelly Thompson was shocked by Dero Downing's appearance after not seeing him for several months. Thinks he would have broken down had he not resigned as president.

William Buckman Interview - Downing, Dero 1979 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/687
William Buckman wasn't much surprised by Dero Downing's resignation, felt that it was coming. Was told pretty much how things would proceed.

Tom Jones Interview - Downing, Dero - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/874
Says belief was that Kelly Thompson and Regents had already decided Dero Downing would be president. The search committee did little. Faculty reaction was "absolutely negatie. I came to feel, as I got to know President Downing, and to see how hard he worked and how stable the university had been during his ten year presidency, that this negative attitude was unfair, but he did not have an earned doctorate and at that point most new faculty members did or were pursuing one and about to complete one. He is not an able public speaker, and he is not a terribly good writer . . ." But Tom Jones added that he never saw a Dero Downing memo with a grammatical error in it. But too often in passive voice. ". . . in a lot of ways Dero was not really given a chance by faculty members." Many were paranoid in regard to Dero Downing. Points out that people said faculty had to conform or be fired. But Jim Wayne Miller, Hugh Thomason, Carlton Jackson prospered here. Dero Downing didn't run the police state some people thought he did. Dero Downing faced problem of increased control from Council on Higher Education that earlier presidents had not had. Tom Jones thinks Dero Downing was "in over his head" in dealing with the Council. Papers reported that he never spoke at a Council meeting until his last one.

Dero Downing's relations with Board of Regents. Students were demanding open housing, visitation, etc. which were legal rights that couldn't be ignored. Dero Downing opposed them because of "a basic puritanical streak" but he finally had to accept changes. But Dr. W.R. McCormack would not do so, blamed Dero Downing. Says W.R. McCormack was "out to get him" after that. Sunshine Law allowed public to see Dero Downing "being virtually verbally flagellated by his own chairman of the board."

Dero Downing and student unrest. Tom Jones says about 1,500 gathered for a peace demonstration in Oct. ? WKU didn't have armed rebellion or arson. Fact that Dero rhymed with zero hurt him - student chant [Dero the Zero]. Tom Jones said one of his students, Dave Brown of Franklin, was killed in a car wreck. When Tom Jones went to the funeral home, Dero Downing was there and obviously knew a good deal about an anonymous student. He did care for students. But story of Dero Downing walking through Downing University Center with a couple of acquaintances and seeing a student with his feet on a chair. Dero Downing: "Don't you sometimes long for the days when you could just kick his feet off there and say 'Get your damn ass out of here.'" But those days were gone.

Tom Jones said that Vice President Jim Davis once asked him what Dero Downing could do to improve his image with the faculty. Tom Jones: "Candidly, as far as I can tell, he couldn't do anything but become a different person because he was so widely perceived as a liar." Tom Jones said this sort of thing led to this perception. Vote for Faculty Senate had been 325-26. Dero Downing said to Faculty Senate at 1st(?) meeting: "I would not be candid with you if I did not tell you that this faculty senate was formed by less than a majority of the faculty, numerically speaking." Might argue that if you include everyone, then subtracted 325. But this bothered me for a long time. Tom Jones says his relations with Dero Downing were rather chilly, probably because of the evaluation.

Tom Jones Interview - Downing, Dero - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/874/
Was understood by Board & Kelly Thompson that Dero Downing would become president. No real search. Faculty reaction was "Abosolutely negative. I came to feel, as I got to know President Downing, and to see how hard he worked and how stable the university had been during his ten year presidency, that this negative attitude was unfair . . ." Lack of earned doctorate hurt him. "He is not an able public speaker, and he is not a terribly good writer, although he always sought correctness." Never saw one of his memos with an error but usually passive. ". . . in a lot of ways Dero was not really given a chance by faculty members." Says that Dero Downing didn't run sort of KGB secret service that some accused him of doing. Word was that AAUP association would cause trouble, but Jim Wayne Miller, Carlton Jackson, Hugh Thomason were active in it & they haven't been hurt. Says that Dero Downing "wasn't very capable" in dealing with Council on Higher Education. Seldom even spoke at a meeting.

Relations with Board of Regents. Students were demanding rights in visitation, open housing, etc. "Downing fought that as hard as he could because of, in my judgment, a basic puritanical streak in the man, but it was a movement whose time had come, and he couldn't fight it . . ."

Dr. W.R. McCormack in hi smoralism was to the right of Atilla the Hun. Says that Dero Downing in effect lost his job over open housing - legal rights, he had no choice, but W.R. McCormack never forgave him. "Sunshine law" opened meeting, and "the public saw him being virtually verbally flagellated by his own chair man of the board. His days were from that time numbered."

Sara Tyler Interview - Dero Downing - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/897
"I always found that he was a gentleman, and also a wonderful person to work with." Didn't see Dero Downing in the make(?) of Henry Cherry or Kelly Thompson. "I think of him as a more kind person." Always felt free to see Paul Garrett about anything. Kelly Thompson was always busy. Not sure she ever went to Dero Downing about anything.

William Buckman Interview, 3/27/1984 - Downing, Dero
Dero Downing was handpicked by Kelly Thompson for president. Kelly Thompson had the Board convinced. Dero Downing - dedicated, loyal to WKU, limited

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abilities & skills in such areas as ---, communications. Didn't have strong academic background. Saw WKU more as a high school. Doesn't think he really understood role of a faculty in a university. Didn't communicate well with Council or legislature.

WKU --- backwards, backwards and backwards. Doubts if we ever held our own in academics. Worked as hard as he could. Can't see how he endured his health problems,. Very dedicated. Times were changing - needed --- energetic individual, could see faculty roles. More contacts with Dero Downing after he became regent.

Jim Davis Interview 6-13-1984 - Downing, Dero

Dero Downing was easy to work with, but he could not be shaken on some very conservative opinions. Story of Mike Harreld - Dero Downing wanted to get rid of him as student & he ended up on the Board of Regents.

Charles Keown Interview - Downing, Dero - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/875, https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/876

Not too surprised with Dero Downing's selection as president. He had strong support from the Board then. Hadn't thought of Kelly Thompson's resigning. (Schhol now more complex, larger, more radicalism.) What changes(?) as you worked with Dero Downing? Problems brought him directly to the president. Was reporting to Vice President John Minton, but channel couldn't always be followed. Had my direct dealings - didn't circumvent John Minton - just the nature of demonstrations, etc. Also: Kent State demonstrations.

Dero Downing's style was much like Kelly Thompson's; use of ad hoc groups. Several that Kelly Thompson had --- some of directions - meetin gmight be to confirm direction he already wanted to go in. Dero Downing - may have --- more to listed more - "Maybe he needed it more." Both had strong direction in --- mind - what was best avenue to follow in a case. Can't answer which one might have respond most quickly. Both responded quickly to issues that needed deciding. Charles Keown didn't feel that Dero Downing was more deliberate than Kelly Thompson. Why Dero Downing's difficulties with a segment of the faculty? Kelly Thompson didn't have such problems. His era --- massive growht with more financial support. "Everything was moving up. . . " "everything was GO." Dero Downing caught tail end of that growth. Many of faculty were new - more varied than what Kelly Thompson had. Reached a plateau. Dero Downing wasn't as available on campus. May have stayed too close to his office. Kelly Thompson may not have been out on campus that much, but the need was less in his era. Thinks some faculty didn't like the selection process of Dero Downing. Hurt him with some. Dero Downing's problems with the Regents. Why? Some Regents blamed him for visitation program. Some couldn't forgive him for allowing that to happen. But Charles Keown doesn't think it could have been prevented short of constant confrontation. Some blamed Dero Downing & administration for drug problem. Helped lead to full scale police department on the campus. Dero Downing's resignation - Charles Keown wasn't really surprised. Board conflicts, problems that had no easy solutions weren't about to go away. He may have arrived at point where he may have decided it wasn't worth it to continue on. Also, he had health problems. Especially last 2-3 years. Allergies. Specialists wanted to do major surgery on ---, but he didn't want it.

William Buckman Interview - Downing, Dero - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/687/

Dero Downing was a "plugger." Worked hard. Came up through the ranks. A competitor. Would put forth. Had very limited vision and knowledge but made up for it in perseverance and hard work. Very little in way of a selection process. Kelly Thompson had already decided he convinced majority of the Board. W.R. McCormack was one of Dero Downing's strong supporters at that time. Herb Shadowen protested, was ignored. Dero Downing as president. Didn't have Public Relations talents, to give inspirational talks, couldn't convince legislators. Had great desire, good health. Dero Downing was president during very trying times. Thinks Kelly Thompson saw the problems coming and was smart enough to resign before they really hit WKU. Dero Downing had to face the issues. Changing times. Thinks that a younger Kelly Thompson could have done a better job of handling them. Viet Nam unrest. Not serious compared with some other schools. But it was a sort of 1st involvement for our students. Could sense a different mood in classes. An unsettling time. Thinks administration over-compensated in its reactions. --- probably went further than it should have. "The Fly" incident & the Expatriate off-campus paper.

Herb Shadown Interview - Downing, Dero G. - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/885

Had excellent relationship with Dero Downing. Herb Shadowen says Kelly Thompson recommended Dero Downing when he resigned June 11 - called meeting. Board set up procedure - Executive Committee would serve, recommend to the Board. Advising committees - faculty, students, alumni. Only advising. Herb Shadowen went to Academic Council talked about need for some faculty input. "I felt at the time that the selection had already been made." Don Bailey headed the faculty committee. Polled the faculty as to suggestions. Ranked on-campus; later ranked off-campus. Don Bailey sent letters to Board. Alumni - chiefly letters, most in favor of Dero Downing. Faucht - Raymond Cravens was 1st. Marvin Russell 2nd, Dero Downing 3rd. There [were] a few others. (Lowell Harrison - was away from campus - all to ---). Aug. 22 - Herb Shadowen was back from Executive Committee ---; Board elected Dero Downing. Herb Shadowen - told Board that a better search should have been made. Executive Committee said they had searched ---. Herb Shadowen wasn't opposed to him him at all - Dero Downing had had been very helpful on Board mattes. Herb Shadowen felt that Dero Downing would have been in stronger positions had there been a real search. Some of Dero Downing's relatives felt that Herb Shadowen opposed. Feels that the process left Dero Downing at a disadvantage. Next time the process was much different. Dero Downing was excellent president but unfortunately he was president when conditions were ---. "He was a peson of the Old School." Tried to keep conditions as they had been when conditions were changing. Possible faculty funds were used elsewhere. Student unrest - even in president's office. --- ---. Faculty more outspoken. Academic Council - service became burdensome. --- Faculty Senate. This was foreign to Dero Downing's thinking. Set up Ad Hoc Committee, was well along when administration went ahead with it. Herb Shadowen feels the Senate has been very helpful to the administration: Dero Downing didn't understand the faculty viewpoint - fine gentleman. Saw no room for American Association of University Professors, Senate. Isn't aware of any college teaching experiences. Herb Shadowen - Went off Board, not sure of Dero Downing's relationship to Board. Understands W.R. McCormack fell out with Dero Downing, tried to unseat him. Herb Shadowen doesn't know why it occurred. Not surprised at Dero Downing's resignation. He had health problems. Heavy responsibilities. Wise to step down when he did.

Lowell Harrison - could Kelly Thompson have handled the changing conditions [better] than Dero Downing did?

Herb Shadowen - may have - good politician. Dero Downing saw only one way of handling matters. Not sure. Faculty evaluation - a real problem for Dero Downing. Herb Shadowen recommended that faculty evaluation forms be made available to the faculty. This was later done. Praises the Donald Zacharias selection process. Open, faculty & students felt that they were involved. ?

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Raymond Cravens Interview 2/8/1985 - Downing, Dero
Registrar was in academic affairs who worked with faculty. Raymond Cravens & Dero Downing worked closely together.

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Raymond Cravens Interview 2/22/1985
Search for Kelly Thompson's successor. Kelly Thompson called Raymond Cravens & Dero Downing in, was sure they would be considered. Though both were qualified. Kelly Thompson - no need for them to campaign. Raymond Cravens - Board never contacted him. Raymond Cravens told people who wanted to help that he didn't want that. Board didn't contact him. No application asked, no credentials requested.

Raymond Cravens - Dero Downing seemed to be type of person the Board wanted. Raymond Cravens --- order on campus. Dero Downing was perceived(?) as a strong personality who could preserve order. Thinks Regents identified him (Raymond Cravens) with source of the liberal elements on campus. Raymond Cravens had tried to mediate in Skewer incident - a regent chided him on it at a basketball game. Regents wanted someone to continue(?) on - Dero Downing was great advisor of Kelly Thompson, didn't think anyone could improve on what Kelly Thompson had done.

Raymond Cravens - Thinks that Kelly Thompson really dominated the selection of his successor. Thinks that Regents knew his preference. Imagines that Dero Downing had strong support from Dr. W.R. McCormack. Saw W.R. McCormack following Dero Downing around as Dero Downing mowed his grass. Relationship with Dero Downing after he became president. Got along well, operated as a team. Dero Downing was of great help to Raymond Cravens when he started as administrator(?). Dero Downing was more experienced. Dero Downing didn't give Raymond Cravens as much autonomy as Academic Vice President as Kelly Thompson did. Dero Downing centralized most decisions. He was a manager of great skill, but he was reluctant to delegate details. Shared decisions. Raymond Cravens at registration had to clear with Dero Downing before he could add classes at registration. This trait can be both good and bad. Thinks Dero Downing carried it a little too far. (Had added them under Kelly Thompson). Neither Kelly Thompson nor Dero Downing ever gave the academic vice president real decision in budget making. A carryover from Henry Cherry & Paul Garrett. Became more of a problem as money became scarce with few new people coming in. Then more problems arose. Dero Downing was less inclined than Kelly Thompson to have his mind made up before a meeting. Kelly Thompson often manipulated(?) someone into agreeing with him. Dero Downing would toss up an idea in Administrative Council - democratic process. We were in awe of Kelly Thompson - a charisma(?) that is unique. Lack of earned doctorate - Raymond Cravens says Dero Downing distrusted the faculty in general. Wasn't going to turn decision making over to faculty. Wouldn't delegate even minor decisions down to dean level. Wanted to be involved with controversial textbooks, etc. Dero Downing was sensitive about lack of doctorate. Raymond Cravens says he thinks he sent Dero Downing a memo - knows that he talked to him - (Dero Downing told Raymond Cravens he would never forget how professional Raymond Cravens was in the search - Raymond Cravens sat [on] hands & did nothing.) - told him he knew that one of his problems with the faculty was the lack of an earned doctorate. Raymond Cravens achieve(?) - served(?) himself in key positions with people who do have doctorates. Dero Downing - --- in Paul Cook, John Minton.

Did Dero Downing ever understand faculty mentality?

Raymond Cravens - Hard to assume, perhaps didn't. Thinks he didn't trust faculty & their judgment. Felt somewhat unsure in dealing with them. Never appreciated faculty's role since he had never been full into it. Felt faculty was overworked, didn't need input. Comments that Lowell Harrison while regent had tried to get an advising council(?). Raymond Cravens recommended it strongly. Dero Downing turned it down. --- --- only under duress. Thus he didn't get credit for changes when they had to come. And he undercut credibility of Raymond Cravens & Lowell Harrison by our failure to get that done. In long run he got Senate - which he considered much worse. Illustrates his --- to dealing with faculty. Alien to his thinking.

Lowell Harrison - As time went on. Dero Downing's relationships with the Board worsened drastically. Why?

Raymond Cravens - elements that seem contradictory(?). Some thought Dero Downing was too conservative (like faculty report(?)). Others though he wasn't conservative enough. Dero Downing was torn between those forces. There would sometimes conspire to oppose the president. "Some strange bedfellows among the Board in that regard."

Dorm visitation - tricky issue. Board felt Dero Downing hadn't informed(?). Some felt dorms were becoming a sort of state supported brothel. W.R. McCormack - dry issue concerned him. Old time doctor, like house calls. Some elderly people, retired person gave him reports about wild parties. Got --- ---.

Dero Downing - brought security forces directly under the president. Brought in Wallace, great --- in police force. Viet Nam protests - all realted. Thinks that W.R. McCormack had been one of Dero Downing's strongest supporters at first. Raymond Cravens isn't sure just how that relationship changed. Raymond Cravens learned from Kelly Thompson that when he retired W.R. McCormack wanted to resign also. Kelly Thompson had trouble convincing W.R. McCormack to stay on the Board. May have done too good a job in convincing W.R. McCormack he was indispensable(?). Raymond Cravens thinks Kelly Thompson wanted W.R.

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McCormack to stay on so the selection process wouldn't get out of hand. W.R. McCormack had been a silent partner in Board up until then, had seldom said anything at Board meeting. W.R. McCormack may have decided that if he didn't do something to keep WKU on the track, no one else would. And he kept getting complaints from his patients & others. Didn't feel that WKU was facing up to them. He was accustomed to solving problems like this rather rapidly. W.R. McCormack felt faculty shouldn't make any more than county judge made. Some board members felt that fight against inflation should be started at WKU.

Raymond Cravens - not really surprised by Dero Downing's resignation. Dero Downing had told him he wasn't going to stay in the position much longer, when Raymond Cravens stepped down from vice president. Raymond Cravens says Dero Downing didn't really like the job - some of duty. Told him several times he wished someone else had the job. Very sensitive caring individual, totally dedicated to WKU. Not that comfortable being president. Under intense tension - Dero Downing is in much better health now.

Faculty evaluation - leaked to the Courier-Journal. Did that influence him? Doubts that it influenced him. Thinks he was ready to resign anyway. After Raymond Cravens went back to dean, only on 2-3 occasions did Dero Downing ever call Raymond Cravens over & confide in him. He put Raymond Cravens in role he was in - working for vice president. Dero Downing was very professional in his dealings. Dero Downing asked Raymond Cravens about changing Commerce to Business Administration. Raymond Cravens warned that it would upset the old Bowling Green Business University alumni. May have been John Minton, not Dero Downing.

Paul Cook Interview, 8-2-1985 - Downing, Dero - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/925
After Bob Cochran died, Paul Cook worked more with public relations. Generally Paul Cook did whatever Dero Downing wanted done(?).

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Paul Cook wasn't on campus most of time Dero Downing was being selected. Decision making was much more closed then than now. Paul cook moved to Dero Downing's office just a few months after Dero Downing became president. Dero Downing called him in, asked him to become assistant to the president. Miss Georgia Bates was only staff person Kelly Thompson had. Paul Cook moved there in Jan. 1970 - in 1975 he became Director of Budget. Some operating units began reporting to him. Dero Downing's inner circle - but on a given issue he would include others. Bill Bivin, Harry Largen, Paul Cook - John Minton, Raymond Cravens, Jim Davis depending on the issue. Dero Downing would call in to his office many of the participants for detailed discussions. Dero Downing studied issues carefully, sometimes at length. Strengths - diligent, very hard working, may have done work he should have delegated, devotion to WKU, his strong identification with it. Has strong view on having quality in all aspects. He also had strong compassion for individuals, & he sometimes was thought to dilute his standards. Did good jobs in selecting people for key personnel. Weaknesses - too provincial in his devotion? Too much involved in detail. Did he delegate enough authority? Perhaps too little attention to public relations. (If you did a good job, it will become known.) He would draw criticism for something he was working on, but it wasn't know because of Public Relations. Dero Downing's health was good. Had kidney stone problems - very severe at times. Lingering sinus problems; Paul Cook says it didn't sap his energy. A great asset was his wife - a tremendous asset. Faculty: Many people felt he didn't understand the faculty point of view. He was sensitive about his lack of doctorate. Doesn't believe that Dero Downing wasn't comfortable with many faculty members - as he wasn't comfortable with the media. He is frank - will tell you what he thinks. Was often frank with the faculty. Hadn't taught on college level. Didn't tell people often what he was working on. Governance had been in few but not shared. He was in a transitional period in which faculty & students had a larger role. Paul Cook - in many respects, he made that transition quite well. (His opposition to votes for student & faculty regents). Senate - Dero Downing saw Academic Council as body which represented the faculty. (That was considered to be a big step toward governance.) Dero Downing made much more use of committees. Reactions of the Board was ---. Dero Downing got great pressure from some of them. The faculty was much different by 1970 from what it had been. Regents - W.R. McCormack had been one of Dero Downing's strong supporters. What happened? Paul Cook's impressions - context of Regents & its role. Enlargement of Board. Board began to select its own chair once superintendent was removed. Addition of faculty & student members. Regents may not have been oriented enough in role. W.R. McCormack saw himself involved in day-to-day. Dorm visitations - W.R. McCormack felt that he was dealt with unfairly - that he had been misled by Dero Downing & student affairs. Basketball - some people wanted to change of coach in 1970s. Influenced W.R. McCormack's relationship with Dero Downing. Some fairly political student leaders who were exerting pressure on such issues as dorm visitation. W.R. McCormack's support on Board - votes were often split. Open meetings made the discussions known. Medical profession on Board usually supported him. Later we had a higher % of lawyers. J. David Cole - became chairman. This was another shift. David Cole was fairly effective in keeping focused on policy; to get it to function as a Board should. Set up committee structure, codification of Board policies - a major advancement. Board had started looking at a number of policies - tenure, rank, etc. Dero Downing seldom got credit for such policies.

Council on Higher Education - Role of the presidents - declined in 1970s. Kentucky had some strong presidents. Dero Downing wasn't as vocal at meetings; he wasn't quoted a great deal. Dero Downing preferred to work in other ways. He had excellent relationship with government. Loss of vote of president - altered relationship greatly. Council gradually got more & more power. Dero Downing was very much opposed to such trends - such matters should be decided on the campus level. Mission statements came near end of Dero Downing's administration. Paul Cook - caused much concern, but Paul Cook feels that the impact has been much more limited than Council though they would. They weren't tied to the funding process, so results haven't been too great. Harry Snyder - Council grew from 4 staff in 1970 to 50 some now. Relationship with Ted Gilbert & Peggy Albright was good. Issues weren't as important then. Harry Snyder relations hasn't been as good. Dero Downing felt Harry Snyder misled us on such issues as the Owensboro situation. University of Kentucky - some competition there, but presidents usually found some way to support each other on Council Cooperative doctoral program. Other universities - Dill Curtis at Murray State University led to more competitive situation - at Owensboro, student recruiting. Eastern Kentucky University - pretty good relationship, but some competition for funding. Eastern Kentucky University enrollment passed that of WKU's. (Lowell Harrison - issue of serving debt.) Eastern Kentucky University went more heavily into debt. Dero Downing - truly felt he was steward for Kentucky's funds placed with us, spent it carefully.

Fiscal Affairs - Changes in budget process. It became more open. Open records law & open meetings. (Paul Cook - didn't find the big pot of money that Dero

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<p>Downing & Harry Largen were supposed to have.) Fiscal affairs - Dero Downing was president. Good bit of margin built into budget. Usually carried forward a good reserve. One year we had more money to put into salaries that the Board would agree to put into salaries. Board limited it to a % increase. This helped when the budget cuts began. We had some reserves then that we don't have now. Had a cut under Kelly Thompson when Louie Nunn became governor. Thinks it was \$580,000, which was large for then. State support remained fairly constant as a %. But % of state revenue going to colleges declined from about 20% (1974) to 16% now. University of Louisville came into system & Northern Kentucky University - thinks admission strained resources. Student tuition didn't go up rapidly in the 1970s.</p>	
<p>Student unrest - seemed violetn to us at the time - not really that bad. Near confrontation in Downing University Center between blacks & whites; & black situtation in Wetherby Administration Building. Paul Cook says that the general unrest in the country then was more correlative(?) to the campus unrest than black vs. white. Viet Nam, Kent State, etc. The "Volunteers" on campus. About half a dozen of us for +/- 2 weeks spent about all of our time on campus. Led to much larger public safety force. "Streaking" became popular. Some of us spent a good deal of time - never caught any of them. Our people weren't radical by national standards. Some racial ill will. Came up chiefly over cheerleaders. Election that was re-done. Some tense times locally. The black sit in. Dero Downing made a passionate speech. Shed tears over his concern over welfare of WKU. "There was potential for problems." Outside speakers issue. "The Fly" hearing. Led to speaker's policy.</p>	
<p>Paul Cook Interview, 8-6-1985 - Downing, Dero - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/925/ Paul Cook views the Dero Downing era as a transitional period from "old way" method of doing things. Decisions were made with few people knowing about htem. We went from that to almost total open meeting. Lot of people, including Dero Downing, who had to learn to operate under new conditions. During Dero Downing era not a building on campus was named for an individual. Symbolic of his approach to things. Building about ended during his administration. Enrollment declined. We move out of one phase of life of the university into another. We got a lot of things out of our system that we needed to get out. May have made things easier for Donald Zacharias. Paul Cook - wasn't surprised by Dero Downing's resignation. Had seen it coming. Open secret that some Regents wanted him out. Dero Downing called Paul Cook & Bill Bivin into his office one day & told them he was stepping down. You reach a point in time when you realize it is time to step down. His energies had been sapped. Paul Cook told him that while personally he hated to see him go, he thought it was best for him and for the institution. John Minton's period - a "right good year" on the whole.</p>	
<p>Phil Constans Interview - Downing, Dero Was very over his head as president. He couldn't handle the job, just struggled ---. Was scared by faculty who had real doctorates. Felt threatened by faculty. Did he understand faculty mentality? No, he didn't. "Community of scholars" would mean nothing to him.</p>	
<p>Mary Ellen Miller Interview - Downing, Dero Has never known Dero Downing as well as Kelly Thompson. Strengths - very steady hard approach. Dero Downing was good with the budget. Joy Bale Boone said Dero Downing was better prepared to answer budget questions than any other president. Hardworking. Dero Downing didn't have good faculty relationship. Gave impression of stand-offness. Probably didn't understand faculty mentality. Surprised by Dero Downing's resignation. She attended Regent's meeting at which he read his statemetn. Health may have been decision. Imagines his faculty evaluation wasn't too good.</p>	
<p>William Jenkins' Interview, 2-13-1986 - Downing, Dero Kelly Thompson & Dero Downing were alike in many respects. Their determination to pay same scale across the university caused problems in high income areas. Had to use many MA people. James Oppitz just decide he wasn't going to go through the PhD hassle. Very fine number 2 men. Raymond Cravens & Dero Downing were top competitors for presidency. Only Marvin Russell didn't realize he had no chance. Inevitable that Dero Downing would be selected & that he and Raymond Cravens would conflict. Dero Downing - one of finest men I've ever known - morals, etc. But - William Jenkins doesn't feel that Dero Downing ever understood a university or its faculty. William Jenkins had clash with him over funds for a professor selected to read paper in East Europe. Dero Downing disapproved. Stormy scene with Dero Downing who said it wasn't as important as Dero Downing's making a Rotary Club speech at Horse Cave. William Jenkins stormed out of office. Dero Downing followed him & approved it on the steps of the Administration Building. (Because of terrorists, faculty member decided not to go.) Dero Downing presidency was one of holding, not progress.</p>	
<p>Eugene Evans Interview - Downing, Dero - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/700/ Dero Downing's administration was more a consolidation phase. Building boom ended, enrollment leveled off. New problems arise. May affect faculty morale adversely. (Eugene Evans - some day hard decisions will have to be made about programs. Select areas really needed, phase out others, exploit the ones that remain, University presidents & Regents must do this sort of thing.) Eugene Evans - not sure early retirement program is that attractive.</p>	
<p>Downing, Dero In going through his papters, it is evident that he usually operated by getting written opinions from various people. In his --- request he usually raises questions which are likely to reflect his views - which are then often included in the responses. He frequently asks James Davis, William Bivins, etc. to draft responses.</p>	
<p>Downing, Dero One of the key words that he uses frequently is "frustration." I doubt if he realized how often he did use the term; it seems to sum up much of his presidency.</p>	

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<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Administration</p> <p>Dero Downing Interview, 10/23/1984 - Downing: Administration - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/697 What goals did you have? University was in good condition - worked to maintain the excellence that had been achieved. Some organizational changes needed as colleges developed. WKU had been university only 1966. Wanted to improve library services. Some physical facilities were needed. Worked to improve salary structure. Especially hoped not to regress; hoped for improvements. WKU has been a fine institution for decades. The WKU spirit of cooperation etc. has been vital. It continues to be important in WKU's life. Social turmoil was beginning. Dero Downing said in 1965 he was on the Berkeley campus during a meeting. Dero Downing couldn't believe what he saw there - left wing tables, drugs in common use. The activist movement was spreading. We were in for a lot of trouble. WKU had much less trouble than most institutions. Potential for trouble was sometimes here, but Charles Keown & his people did outstanding job. Had some 40-50 people who would come to campus at moment's notice - coaches, administrators, some faculty. Had a system of calling up people by a network. But for this, WKU might have had serious problems. At WKU, if you called on troops, they were there. One time when student activists invited some radical (Dero Downing can't recall name) to speak. Assigned spot was old football field. His purpose was to arouse animosity and turmoil. He & group came to administration building. Dero Downing - we had plan ready to deal with that. Charles Keown told them they couldn't interfere with normal movements(?) of WKU. Bill Bivin was with judge. When Charles Keown gave sign to Dero Downing, he called Bill Bivin on open line. Order was signed in 3 minutes & sheriff came. Speaker disappeared. 6 students held on & were arrested. Court case, upheld the administration's duty to run the school, not the students. Had new PhD in Math (Dr. Anson? / Hanson?) [Dennis Anson] who came to see Dero Downing. He was pretty far left in his views. Asked him how it felt to be president of a university without a PhD? Dero Downing - not having had it, can't compare it. Feels that his success will not depend on whether I have earned doctorate; it depends on how well I do the job. Two semesters later he was teaching in some small college in New Jersey. Students wouldn't tolerate. Used rubber stamp to put obscenities on test papers. Unprofessional. Dero Downing - knew he was considered to be quite conservative. Never apologized for it. Feels it helped keep university moving. Some standards must be respected and maintained. (Dero Downing goes back again and talks about the 1965 left wing group he saw at Berkeley. That had a profound influence on him.) Some fine students got caught up in those movements. Students for a Democratic Society had core of leaders whose purpose was to stir up trouble. You can find out about such people - WKU had good relationship from some Federal agencies, such as the FBI that was --- helpful. Chief aspiration - let WKU continue to get better and better. Dero Downing says he is more tolerant now than he was. Time was that he really agonized over student dress, hair, etc. Has become more tolerant now of such things. Students must be trained in responsibility. Valuable part of an education. Clean campus, etc. is part of this. Cleanliness, orderliness. Has never felt you could turn an institution to a group of young people and expect them to exercise mature judgment. WKU has had a sense of pride. Dero Downing - can't pass debris without stopping to pick it up. One Sunday after football game, he came home after church. Two parking lots had had parties, --- and Ogden. He & Alex Downing with trash bags & picked them up. Told Owen Lawson that if there was trash between President's home and office, it was Dero Downing's problem; anywhere else on campus it was Owen's problem. Some things that attract much attention, say in media, don't amount to much when you get to the really important aspects of the school. Most grateful for the dedication of the great majority of the WKU people. Harry Largen, who quietly carries a heavy load. Unassuming. People like that in different areas across the campus. Despite some remarks from some who have joined us recently that we can become a quality institution - WKU has been a quality institution. (Must mean Robert Haynes.) The quality of the WKU depends upon the quality of what goes on in the classroom. Must focus on that aspect. Dero Downing praises a number of alumni. Also B.C. Cole - who was a master teacher. Praises his recent lecture here. (He's established scholarship fund of some \$50,000). George Page - motivated students to go on and get doctorates.</p>	<p>1985-1989</p> <p>Education Biography Reminiscing</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Congratulations</p> <p>Eastern Kentucky University: Robert Martin Papers - Downing - Congrats 1969 Box 169: Folder WKU 1969-70 Robert Martin to Dero Downing, Sept. 10, 1969 - Congratulations on election. "I know you will bring to the position the ability, the experience, and the devotion to serve your institution and all higher education in an admirable way."</p>	<p>1969</p> <p>Education</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Degree</p> <p>Dero Downing Papers: 14 - Downing: Degree 1970 Conferring of Doctorate President Harold P. Hamilton, Kentucky Wesleyan, to Dero Downing, Feb. 23, 1970 - Kentucky Wesleyan wants to confer Doctor of Humanities degree on May 31, 1970.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Friday, May 1, 1970 - Downing - Degree 1970 - http://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4949 1 Kentucky Wesleyan will confer honorary doctorates on President Dero Downing, Senator John Sherman Cooper, & Charles S. Perry, of United Methodist Church. Dero Downing will receive doctor of humanities degree. 1943 WKU AB, 1947 WKU MA, 1958 Peabody EdS.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, 5/1/1970 - Downing: Degree 1970 - http://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4949 Dero Downing will be one of 3 to receive honorary doctorates at Kentucky Wesleyan on May 31. (Doctors of humanities).</p> <p>Dero Downing Papers: Box 56 - Downing: Degree 1972 Murray Trip Murray State University conferred Doctor of Laws degree upon Dero Downing at August 4, 1972 commencement. He was speaker at the commencement. Add to note 2, Chapter VIII</p>	<p>1970-1972</p> <p>Education</p>

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<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Dinner</p> <p>Daily News, 12-15-1978 - Downing Dinner 1978 Over 625 were in Garrett Ballroom Thursday night for dinner honoring Dero Downing. Gave him a 15 foot fishing boat named "The Hilltopper." Alumni Association is giving family a cruise. A scholarship fund is already over \$8,000. Speakers included Air Force General Russell Dougherty, Julian Goodman.</p>	<p>1978</p> <p>Education Banquets</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Downing to Training School</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Feb. 15, 1946 - Downing to Training School 1946 - http://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4538 1 Dero Downing has been selected to coach basketball and head physical education at College High. He will relieve E.A. Diddle and Ted Hornback who have been coaching on an emergency basis. Dero Downing will start graduate work at WKU.</p>	<p>1946</p> <p>Education</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Election</p> <p>Includes cards: Downing, Elected Downing: Reelected Downing: Selection</p> <p>Dero Downing Papers: 42 - Downing: Selection 1969 Alumni & Placement 1969 Minutes of WKU Alumni Association, July 16, 1969 Board of Directors to Executive Committee, Board of Regents, July 16, 1969 - Lists some of the qualities it considers necessary for the next president. "We are most emphatic in our recommendation that the new president be a Westerner . . . when we profile a man with all the qualities mentioned, the vision of Dero Downing is most prominent."</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Sept. 18, 1969 - Downing, Elected - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4764 2 Dero G. Downing became 4th WKU president on Sept. 12. Is 47. Elected by 7-0 vote of Regents. Douglas Keen placed Dero Downing's name before Board on Aug. 22 meeting. "We have complete confidence that he will be given broad support and enthusiastic acceptance by the many publics of the University." Kelly Thompson to Regents: "You have just made an excellent choice - Western will go upward and forward with this man." Dero Downing in accepting: "I am deeply grateful for the confidence which you have shown in me. I want to pledge to you and everyone who is interested in the welfare of Western that I'll do the very best of which I am capable. It will simply be my prayer that I might have the strength of body, the clearness of mind and the soundness of judgment to be effective in this important position, and I hope that it will be in a manner which will eventually prove deserving of your confidence." Gives biography. 4 Editorial - Says election of Dero Downing came as no surprise. "Those who desired a new president from outside the state must be reminded that the real function of a president in a large university is to obtain the money necessary for the growth of the school. A president must understand the political in-fighting involved in getting the legislative appropriations on which Western must depend. Dr. Thompson understands this and it was largely responsible for his success." "President Downing has worked closely with Dr. Thompson and is certainly no stranger to the problems of financing. More importantly, perhaps, Downing has in his office of vice president for administrative offices overseen the growth of Western and should know how to use the money most effectively once it is obtained. "Those who would have preferred a PhD. must be reminded that doctorates are not given in how to run a university. Nothing would better prepare President Downing for his duties than the administrative experience he already possesses. "In the area of student affairs it is hoped that President Downing will be receptive to student ideas to keep pace with the changing nature of college students and the changing nature of the University itself. Historically, change has been slow at Western but the tempo is picking up as students assume more responsibility in every area of campus life. It will require a sensitive man to guide the University during this period of transition. And as the University struggles for relevancy in the coming years, President Downing will have a difficult job."</p> <p>Dero Downing Interview, 10-23-1984 - Downing: Election 1969 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/697 Dero Downing - never applied. Some regents asked him if he would accept. Says he gave encouragement to search for an outstanding president. But said that if asked, he would serve. That was the philosophy that he had followed - serve where he could best serve the university. If possible, do what administration thinks best. Something like team play in athletics. Wider search than some people thought. Several committees (regents, faculty, administration) talked with him. Didn't ask anyone to help. Wouldn't have been disappointed by selection of anyone he could support. Sept. 11 or 12 when Board met & made the decision. Dero Downing accepted it - honored by it. Feels that Kelly Thompson was supportive of Dero Downing. He had expressed confidence in Dero Downing. Had asked him if he would be interested. Denies that Kelly Thompson retained an influence afterwards. At times Dero Downing has wished he could rely more on him. Never did Kelly Thompson criticize him. Has never offered advice and suggestions unasked. Dero Downing has gone to him & he has always responded. Kelly Thompson wasn't on campus during the 1st years. Dero Downing has attempted to have some relationship with Dr. Donald Zacharias. If time comes when he can't do that, he will leave the campus. W.R. McCormack's role? Douglas Keen was chairman. W.R. McCormack was an executive committee that came & talked with Dero Downing. He had been family doctor for over 30 years. Dero Downing was recovering from varicose vein (right leg) operation. Dero Downing tried to come back to work too soon & blood clots in lung(?). Was recovering from that when committee came to see him at home. (W.R. McCormack, Douglas Keen, J.T. Gilbert). W.R. McCormack - long time personal friend. Later, W.R. McCormack & Dero Downing had disagreements on best direction for WKU to go. Thinks that it wasn't personal. Continues to be friend. W.R. McCormack is very supportive of College Heights Foundation.</p>	<p>1969-1984</p> <p>Education</p>

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<p>Regents Minutes, June 9, 1973 - Downing, Dero, Re-elected 1973 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1973/spcl/1/ Chairman W.R. McCormack reminded members that President Dero Downing's term expires in Sept. 1973 and suggested it would be appropriate to consider his re-election. Hugh Poland, Albert Ross motion, 4 years, unanimous.</p> <p>Dero Downing Interview, 10-23-1984 - Downing: Election - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/697 Kelly Thompson's resignation came as a surprise to him. Dero Downing can understand how he could arrive at that decision. Had been aware of some decline in his health. Had hoped he could go on for an indefinite period. Pressure is a cumulative sort of thing. Resources had been few during his early years. Dero Downing - says he never applied for the job. Some regents asked if he would accept it. Says he encouraged search for the ideal person. Told Regents that he would accept if they asked him to. Dero Downing had told Kelly Thompson he would do whatever the best interests of the school demanded. He had shuffled jobs in response to that in early 1960s. Search was more far reaching than some people thought. Faculty & alumni committees talked with him. Regents committee interviewed him. Wouldn't have been disappointed if someone he could support had been appointed. Told committee that he would accept. Elected by Board +/- Sept. 11 - 12. Feels that Kelly Thompson was supportive of the decision. He seemed to have confidence in me. Contrary to what some think, Kelly Thompson did not exert influence. Has sometimes wished I could rely on his experience. But he never criticized me or my actions. He has never come to me to give advice; but Dero Downing has gone to him for advice and counsel. He always gave it. Dero Downing - says he has tried to pattern his relations with Donald Zacharias along the Kelly Thompson lines. If time comes he can't do that, he will disassociate himself from the university. Dr. W.R. McCormack was member of Executive Committee. He had been family physician for over 30 years. Dero Downing was recovering from varicose veins that had been stripped from right leg. Came back to work too soon, blood clots developed. Committee came to Dero Downing's home. (Douglas Keen, W.R. McCormack, J.T. Gilbert). Later in Dero Downing's administration: disagreements with W.R. McCormack then over best directions for WKU to go. Says he doesn't believe it was personal. He continues to be a friend.</p>	
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Era</p> <p>Mounce, Robert. Letter - Downing Era "the campus plant and its total setting were extraordinary." Academic program - some areas of real strength. History department for example. Most student life issues were handled well. Much credit to director of student affairs. Few student complaints. Least successfully handled were issues dealing with personnel. Raul Padilla and George Dillingham trauma should never have happened. As dean, he found it difficult "to get quality time" with academic vice president. His immediate contact with all 3 presidents were good. Approved of many of Dero Downing's positions. "His style of leadership was not especially acceptable in that troubled period . . ." Would have liked him to have broader understanding of his role in the humanities(?) and general education generally(?). Overall, compared with similar schools, would give WKU high marks.</p>	<p>nd Education</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Evaluation</p> <p>Talisman 1978 - Downing, Dero Evaluation 1978 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/400/ 145 Several papers reported incorrectly that Dero Downing did not receive support of majority of faculty votes in a Senate survey. Says 46% had confidence in him, about 33% did not. Rest didn't respond.) Board of Regents announced that it would conduct any formal evaluation of the president.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Aug. 22, 1978 - Downing Evaluation 1978 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3398 1 Story says some of information leaked this summer about Dero Downing's evaluation (to the Courier-Journal) were in error. Identity remains secret. Tom Jones says only 16 people saw the computer printout: Dero Downing, Tom Jones, 10 regents, 4 members of committee (+ William Buckman) that conducted the survey. 2 Tom Jones said most of the published figures were a few % points off. William Buckman said the printed figures were not exact but were close. William Buckman: "Some thought that I did it, and I discussed it with the president. But I was busy painting my house and did not do it." J. David Cole said that it hurt the Senate. Said Senate had no legitimate function in a formal evaluation of the president; that was a function of the Regents. Dero Downing: "I have said from the outset that it is not within the constitutional authority of the Faculty Senate to attempt to carry out that function." He added: "When communicated in a professional manner, I have no intention of ignoring, under any circumstances, faculty concerns, faculty suggestions and faculty views." 11 Tom Emberton says Board's resolution that it would conduct any evaluation of the president "shows the regents' support of President Downing." William Buckman: says WKU has leadership problems "at the top and elsewhere." It would be irresponsible for the Board to ignore the faculty's evaluation.</p>	<p>1978 Education</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Goals</p> <p>Dero Downing Interview, 10-23-1984 - Downing: Goals 1969 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/697 Wants each year to be the best ever. WKU was in good condition in 1969. Maintain the excellence that had been achieved. Some re-organization needed. Had been university only since 1966. Library services - to improve & expand. Physical growth - more on master plan. Salary structure - improvement needed. Budget aspirations. At least - wouldn't regress, hoped we could move forward. WKU has been a first-rate institution for several decades. WKU has had some unique spirit. Couldn't have met some of crises without spirit of dedication. Happy that that has continued to prevail. Social turmoil was beginning - accelerated in next few years. Tells of Berkeley visit - in 1960s - "I could not believe what was taking place . . ." Determined that WKU would not go that way. We were most fortunate than most schools he knew of. The potential for serious problems was sometimes present at WKU. Charles Keown, his associates the 40-50 people who would come to Hill on about moment's notice - invaluable. Call system network could get them to campus very quickly. On many campuses, people stayed in their own areas. WKU didn't operate that way. Chief hope - "that Western would continue to get better and better."</p>	<p>1984 Education</p>

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<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Health</p> <p><i>Includes cards: Downing: Ill</i></p> <p><i>Dero Downing Papers: 15 - Downing, Dero, Ill 1969</i> <i>Fauculty E-M</i> <i>Dero Downing (Vice President) to Bradford Mutchler, Paducah, July 11, 1969 - Dero Downing says he went into hospital July 2 and had surgery July 3 to remove veins from right leg. Is doing well. Returned home July 10.</i></p> <p><i>Dero Downing Papers: 60 - Downing: Ill 1969</i> <i>Reports to Other Agencies</i> <i>Dero Downing to Jerry G. Alston, SIU, Sept. 16, 1969 - Dero Downing says he was indisposed throughout August as the result of surgery.</i></p> <p><i>Dero Downing Papers: 43 - Downing, Dero - Ill 1974</i> <i>Associated Students 1974</i> <i>Dero Downing to President Associated Student Government, Jeff Consolo, 11/7/1974 - Thanks him for invitation to Bill Russell dinner on Nov. 18. "I am presently confined to the hospital; and even though I am experiencing considerate improvement, it will be necessary for me to curtail my activities, particularly evening engagements.'</i></p> <p><i>Dero Downing Papers: 29 - Downing, Dero, Health 1974</i> <i>BA's</i> <i>Dero Downing to Don Bale, Frankfort, 11/18/1974 - Has been confined in hospital & then at home with sinusitis. Doctor is letting him work into a regular schedule at the office but he has had to cancel all outside activities & engagements until he improves.</i></p> <p><i>Dero Downing Papers: 17 - Downing, Dero: Health 1974</i> <i>Fraternities 1974</i> <i>Dero Downing to Rick Kelley, President Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Nov. 21, 1974 - Regrets he can't attend dinner on Nov. 21. "Restrictions has been placed on my activities by my physician as a result of some aggravating health problems which I have experienced in recent weeks . . . "</i></p> <p><i>Dero Downing Papers: 29 - Downing, Dero, Health 1976</i> <i>Fr-Fu</i> <i>Dero Downing to Dr. Thomas Frist, Sr., Nashville, July 12, 1976 - Thanks for his personal attention at his physical exam on July 2. Knee has already responded to treatment and medication you prescribed.</i></p> <p><i>Dero Downing Papers: 28 - Downing, Dero: Health 1977</i> <i>Wilson, Ivan</i> <i>Dero Downing to Lawrence E. Forgy, Jr., July 19, 1977 - Hope his son is better. Dero Downing says he has had sinusitis problems for last 3 years. Two years ago his local doctor referred him to Dr. James Willoughby in Kansas City. Has greatly improved one "of the --- Inhaler through which the powdered form of Cromolyn Sodium is inhaled from a capsule." Recommends it.</i></p>	<p>1969-1977</p> <p><i>Health</i> <i>Sick persons</i></p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Honorary Doctorate</p> <p><i>Western Alumnus 38:4 Summer 1970 - Downing: Honorary Doctorate 1970</i> <i>29 Dero Downing was one of 4 receiving honorary doctorates at Kentucky Wesleyan at spring commencement.</i></p>	<p>1970</p> <p><i>Education</i></p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Philosophy</p> <p><i>Dero Downing Papers: 44 - Downing: Philosophy 1972</i> <i>General Correspondence A</i> <i>Dero Downing to Mr. & Mrs. L.A. "Sonny" Allen (Cookeville) Feb. 7, 1972 - Apologizes for his abrupt departure from the post-game gathering. Was having chest pains - from a variety of causes, including loss of game we appeared to have won. "The thing which bothers me most is the intense desire for Western to excel in every endeavor, and obviously there are some areas of the University which fall below our level of expectancy. Our greatest asset is the fact that we have wonderful people who continue to make a dedicated effort to make Western better every day and every year."</i></p> <p><i>Dero Downing Papers: 9 - Downing: Philosophy</i> <i>Board of Regents - David Cole</i> <i>". . . I believe in and am committed to a plan of University administration which recognizes the significant responsibilities of the administrative officers . . . It follows that to effectively fulfill these responsibilities these administrative officers must have the reasonable authority delegated to them." Trusts that the Regents support this philosophy.</i></p>	<p>1972, nd</p> <p><i>Philosophy</i></p>

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<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Plans</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Oct. 27, 1977 - Downing: Plans 1977 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5462 A10 Cuts in funding "will not allow us to engage in the program development to the extent that we really hoped for." Inflation may force WKU "to forego some of the things that we aspire to do." Would not like to see Council for Higher Education assume more power. Sure see WKU as too conservative. "You cannot be concerned about the safety, security and welfare of people and have a completely open university campus, where anyone comes and goes and does anything they want to do, regardless of the consequences." Dero Downing: "It is more difficult than it has ever been to maintain quality, but I don't think we ought to lower our standards."</p>	<p>1977</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Policies</p> <p>Dero Downing Papers: 18 - Downing, Dero - Policies Governance - University On May 30, 1978 Dero Downing returned survey form to Research Institute for Studies in Education, Ames, Iowa. Scale is 1-9 1 = no expectations, 9 = great amount of expectations, 4 ½ - 5 = moderate expectations.</p> <p>Scholarly activity expected: Central administration - 2 Deans - 5 Department Head - 4 Professor - 4 Associate professor - 3 Assistant professor - 3 Instructors - 2</p> <p>His power / authorization over () should be Personnel functions 4 (6) Curriculum 2 (2) Public relations 5 (6) Financial functions 6 (6) Research 6 (6)</p> <p>Institutional functions Importance allotted to () = degree ordered Teaching 8 (7) Research 5 (5) Service to institution 7 (6) Service to community 8 (7)</p> <p>Influence on policy determination: Alumni 7 Grants, endowments 2 President 8 State's citizens 6 Legislators 6 Vice-presidents 4 Parents 2 U.S. government 3 Deans 6 Students 5 State offices 5 Regents 8 Faculty 7 Department heads 5</p> <p>(Move more on other issues that don't seem as important).</p>	<p>1978</p>

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<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - President</p> <p><i>Dero Downing Papers: 14 - Downing, Dero, President 1969</i> <i>Dero Downing Statement to Regents</i> <i>Acceptance statement to Regents</i> <i>"It will simply be my prayer that I might have the strength of body, the clearness of mind, and the soundness of judgment to be effective in this important position."</i></p> <p><i>Earlier in the 1 page statement:</i> <i>"Western has a competent and well-qualified faculty under the tremendous and outstanding leadership of the greatest vice-president for academic affairs in the whole United States."</i></p>	<p>1969</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Principles</p> <p><i>Dero Downing Papers: 1 - Downing: Principles 1977</i> <i>Commission on Post-Secondary Education</i> <i>"However, care must be exercised not to establish a rigidly structured plan which would eliminate diversity and stifle initiative."</i> <i>". . . different institutions . . . have different roles, unique personalities and characters . . . The institutions must retain a reasonable degree of autonomy, flexibility, and variety for our system of higher education to be effective, vigorous and dynamic."</i></p>	<p>1977</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Procedure</p> <p><i>Dero Downing Papers: 5 - Downing: Procedure 1972</i> <i>Academic Council 1972</i> <i>Memo: John Minton to President Dero Downing, March 29, 1972</i> <i>Reviews for him the Academic Council agenda for March 30. Now thesis option for graduate work will be discussed at length. Opposition is --- that it would weaken the liberal arts tradition. Compromise is --- "The main opposition will come from History and possibly English over the Master of Arts having the option." Proposed to add 2 voting student members per college to Academic Council will probably not pass. Discusses several other issues as well.</i></p> <p><i>Memo: John Minton to Dero Downing, May 5, 1972 - Indicates that he or Paul Cook have already evaluated agenda items (May 4) for you. (A number of other such memos.)</i></p>	<p>1972</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Reappointed</p> <p><i>Includes cards Re-Employed</i></p> <p><i>College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Feb. 1, 1977 - Downing - Reappointed 1977 - http://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5356</i> <i>1 Last Saturday Regents reappointed President Dero Downing for a new 4 year term.</i></p> <p><i>Informational Notes (President) Feb. 4, 1977 - Downing, Dero, Re-employed 1977</i> <i>Regents' meeting, Jan. 29, 1977 Dero Downing was reappointed for a 4 year term when current appointment expires on Sept. 12, 1977.</i></p>	<p>1977</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Resignation</p> <p><i>Includes cards: Resigns</i></p> <p><i>Western Alumnus 49:6 Fall 1978 - Downing Resigns 1978</i> <i>1 On Sept. 8 at special meeting of Regents President Dero Downing announced he would retire on Jan. 8, 1979 at start of spring semester. Has served 9 years. His present term would run to Sept. 1981. He cited the demands of the post & the effect on his health.</i> <i>2 (Tells of his career at WKU & about his family.) After a sabbatical in spring, he indicated his willingness to accept part-time assignment. Chairman David Cole set up 4 member committee to determine how the selection of a replacement will occur. Tom Emberton - chairman, Michael Harreld, Carroll Knicely, Ronald Sheffer. Dero Downing became president Sept. 12, 1969, was re-appointed in June 1973 and Jan. 1977. Born Sept. 10, 1921. AB in math, 1943. Naval duty at D-Day. (Details of post-war career).</i> <i>3 Has Dero Downing's statement to Board of Regents in full. Accepted present term in part because school was in midst of the Council's role & scope study and was developing the 1978-80 budget. The problems for universities have not diminished. After careful study he has decided ". . . that the time has come for me to relinquish the duties and responsibilities of the position of president of the University. . . . I have come to realize that the incessant and increasingly heavy demands of the position continue to take a significant toll on the state of my health."</i> <i>1. Wants to resign Jan. 8, 1979</i> <i>2. Having met all conditions, requests sabbatical for Jan. 8 - Aug. 16</i> <i>3. Does not wish to serve full-time. Might make some contributions on part-time basis.</i></p>	<p>1978</p> <p><i>Resignation from office</i> <i>Resignations</i></p>

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4. Will be available for consultation upon request during sabbatical & afterwards.

Dero Downing Papers: 14 - Downing: Resignation 1978
Downing Resignation

Dero Downing Statement to Board of Regents 9-9-1978

When he accepted 3rd 4 year appointment on Jan. 29, 1977, WKU was involved in the Council's Role & Scope Study and the development of the 1978-80 budget request was well underway. Felt that his previous experience would help him in the 1978 Assembly. Has come to conclusion "that the time has come for me to relinquish the duties and responsibilities of the position of President of the University . . . the incessant and increasingly heavy demands of the position continue to take a significant toll on the state of my health." Wants to retire Jan. 8, 1979. Asks sabbatical for Jan. 8 - Aug. 16, 1979. Does not want to serve in any full-time capacity - perhaps he can contribute in some part-time way. Will be available on request during sabbatical & later to support WKU & its programs. "We have many rich traditions at Western of everlasting value, giving a quality to the University that is sought in vain by most institutions of higher education. Call it a spirit, an attitude, or whatever you will - Westerners know that it exists and have remained determined that it must be preserved, nourished, and sustained."

Memo: Dero Downing to Regents, Nov. 17, 1978 - Recommends that Dr. John D. Minton be made acting president. He will have "unqualified support" of the university community. Says he will be available, but "I intend to fulfill the previous commitment to refrain from imposing myself upon those who will be sharing in this responsibility "

Memo: Dero Downing to John David Cole, Chairman of Regents, Sept. 9, 1978 "Confidential" - Selecting WKU's 5th president "may well be the most important decision this Board will ever make." Regents need to make clear their power to appoint & the roles of other groups. Should involve broad base of constituents. Early development of statement of qualifications, criteria, etc. Outgoing president should be a resource person but not be closely involved.

Regents Minutes, Sept. 9, 1978 - Downing: Resignation 1978 - <https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/bor/1978/spcl/2/>

After approval of Personnel changes, Dero Downing said there was another personnel matter he wanted to bring to Board's attention. Then he read his statement after copies were distributed to Regents. "it has continued to be my hope and sincere desire that I might serve Western in an effective manner." When he accepted current term, did so in part because WKU was in midst of Role & Scope study of Council & development of 1978-80 budget. "I have come to realize that the incessant and increasingly heavy demands of the position continue to take a significant toll on the state of my health." Wants to resign Jan. 8, 1979. Requests sabbatical Jan. 8 - Aug. 16, 1979. No desire for full-time duties. ". . . Western is an institution which has been abundantly blessed." WKU has "a quality . . . that is sought in vain by most institutions of higher education. Call it a spirit, an attitude, or whatever you will - Westerners know that it exists and have remained determined that it must be preserved, nourished, and sustained." William Buckman/Carroll Knicely unanimous

Park City Daily News, 9-10-1978 - Downing Resigns 1978

Dero Downing submitted resignation to Regents Saturday. Association goes back 39 years to his freshman enrollment. He is 57 today. Has been: teacher, Training School director, registrar, dean of admissions, dean of business affairs, vice president for business affairs, president. Dero Downing read a prepared statement. He deeply appreciated his opportunities to serve. "At the same time, I have come to realize that the incessant and increasingly heavy demands of the position continue to take a significant toll on my state of health." When he accepted 4 year appointment on Jan. 29, 1977, he was dealing with the massive study of the Council, development of 1978-80 budget & the 1978 session of General Assembly. Dero Downing asked for sabbatical from Jan. 8 to Aug. 16. "At some future date there may be programs in which part-time service will provide opportunities for me to make a meaningful contribution to the university." But he doesn't plan to use his tenure in the College of Education. ". . . I think that in most respects the university is in sound condition." John Cole said finding a president is ". . . the most important decision which we . . . will make in the life of the board." Committee appointed: Tom Emberton, chairman; Ronald Sheffer, Michael Harreld, Carroll Knicely. Asked by reporters after the session if the faculty evaluation influenced his decision, Dero Downing said it "had no bearing on it whatsoever." Dero Downing said it was not a hasty decision.

Courier-Journal 9/10/1978 - Says he had to stop several times to compose himself as he read his statement.

Dero Downing said that his presidency had covered transitional period from a regional college to a full-fledged university. "At this point in our history, we are at a high place in our quest for excellence." Will become effective Jan. 8, 1979. John Cole: "Western is a far better place for having been touched by Dero Downing." John Cole: "It will be very difficult to find a man of President Downing's ability to carry on the work at Western . . . Western has gained a national and international reputation in the field of education."

Courier-Journal 9/16/1978 - Editorial. Says Dero Downing "has little flair for the spectacular" but "his quiet competence . . . has brought achievements that more innovative or forceful leaders might envy." His "hallmark always has been an extraordinary deep personal concern for the school and its students." School "has moved toward stability" with little "student unrest and conflicts over academic freedom."

"At the same time, the university has attracted some first-rate teachers and scholars who have given it distinction in several fields of the arts and sciences. This has been reflected both in teaching and in Western's output of useful scholarly publications by faculty members."

Turns out "bright and well-trained graduates" in a number of fields, including journalism.

Accepts his statement that he didn't resign because of faculty evaluation. "Dr. Downing's decision to resign for health reasons seems consistent with his longstanding habit of putting the school's interest ahead of his own ego."

"Dr. Downing thus leaves Western in a sound position. His school, with its strong alumni loyalties, has often been criticized, with some justice, as an inbred institution with a narrow perspective. Though Dr. Downing almost personifies the Hilltopper spirit, the revitalization during his administration has weakened the validity of that criticism. His successor will have a solid foundation on which to build."

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College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Sept. 12, 1978 - [Downing Resigns 1978 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3403](https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3403)

1 On Saturday Regents went into closed session. A few minutes later the meeting resumed & President Dero Downing read a 5 page letter of resignation. Says he had tears in his eyes as he read: "it is my wish to relinquish the duties and responsibilities of the position of president of the university, effective the beginning of the second semester of the current school year." Much surprise; regents did not appear to have known of it. John Cole: A "time of sadness." "The question now would be: what can Western give you in return?" Dero Downing said afterwards that regents should not feel they owed him any special consideration. Dero Downing referred to "increasingly heavy demands of the position (that) continue to take a significant toll on the state of my health." Board accepted it and granted him a sabbatical for next semester.

8 He was 57 Saturday. President 9 years ". . . I have very strong, positive confident feelings that this university will continue on without missing a stride." "I will make myself available upon request during the period of sabbatical leave and afterwards to lend support to worthwhile programs, projects and activities that will enhance the continued development and the strengthening of Western Kentucky University." Said afterwards the evaluation had no bearing on his decision. He viewed the survey "as an expression of support on the part of a lot of faculty. And I have no quarrel with those who chose to express something to the contrary." Said that he had recognized for some time "that the time was near at hand when there would not be the compelling reasons that may have existed in the past for me to continue." John Cole established committee to determine criteria for successor. Chairman, Tom Emberton; Ron Sheffer; Carroll Knicely; Michael Harrel. Dero Downing: "I have no personal preference, no vested interest. I do have a very strong feeling that it is exceedingly important . . . to have a sense of commitment for the total welfare of the university." (Has sketch of his career.)

9 "Analysis" article speculates that someone outside WKU may be selected. Says (erroneously) that Paul Garrett, Kelly Thompson & Dero Downing had all had long associations with WKU before being selected. Early speculation: Paul Cook, Rhea Lazarus, Raymond Cravens, James L. Davis, J.T. Sandefur, Marvin Russell. Outside: James Graham, state superintendent of public instruction, Gov. Julian Carroll, Harry Snyder.

Ron Sheffer: "Throughout the years he has exemplified the Western spirit."

William Buckman: "as loyal dedicated hard-working individual as it could have as president of the university."

Student regent Steve Thornton: "He's really helped me more than any other individual across campus in regard to my tenure on the board."

Tom Jones: "I am certain that anyone would have been hurt by those figures published in the Courier-Journal."

College Heights Herald, Thursday, Sept. 14, 1978 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3402

1 Interview with "relaxed Downing." Stresses his devotion to the school.

2 Says he doesn't plan to resume teaching, at least not soon. Major accomplishment was general strengthening of WKU. More specifically: library system; stronger faculty; expansion of curriculum, especially associate degree programs. ". . . one of the most significant accomplishments has been the retention and the continuation of some of those basic programs and some of those basic values that have, over the years, made Western an outstanding institution." Special Committee will hold its 1st meeting tonight in Downing University Center.

Dero Downing Papers: 29 - Downing, Dero: Resignation 1978

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Dero Downing to Dennis E. Lilly, Johnson City, TN, 10/19/1978 - ". . . now is a good time to make such a move. We have had a good year here at Western; and, in most ways, things are moving smoothly. There are certain health factors involved; and although they are not serious, they are not going to improve unless I take some time to let them improve."

Dero Downing Papers: 3 - Downing: Resignation 1978

Regents 1978

Memo: Dero Downing to Regents, Nov. 17, 1978 - Thanks for your reaction to my request on Sept. 9. Doubts --- appointment can be made before his sabbatical begins Jan. 8. Essential that there be someone fully empowered to act at all times. Recommends that Dr. John D. Minton be made Acting President. Will assist every way I can, but ". . . I intend to fulfill the previous commitment to refrain from imposing myself upon those who will be sharing in this responsibility." Asks for temporary office space in area of Alumni Affairs Jan. 8 - Aug. 15, during which time he will be organized(?) files and research. Will need some secretarial assistance. Will leave president's home as soon as possible when minor improvements are made on our home. "I feel very positive as to the future of Western . . . The fact that I have felt compelled to give new direction to my activities in no way lessens those connections nor does it weaken my commitment. I will be doing everything possible to substantiate this fact even though I will be experiencing the relief of being permitted to do it in a different role."

John Minton Interview - Downing Retirement 1969 [Resignation(?) ca. 1978(?)]

Dero Downing's retirement was unexpected, a shock. Friday afternoon before the Board meeting on Saturday he asked me to stop by his office. Told John Minton that he was going to meet with chairman (or members of the Board), then at the meeting announce his resignation. That was John Minton's first knowledge of the ---. Board set up an advisory committee for the Board, which would function as a selection committee. Process may have moved slowly, but this was 1st time WKU had ever had such a comprehensive search that invited so many so many groups. In December it was apparent that successor would not be named by January 8. Dero Downing recommend to Board that John Minton be named interim president. Dero Downing told John Minton about 2 weeks before. John Minton earlier told Dero Downing that he had no interest in the post himself - Dero Downing didn't want to involve John Minton in an awkward position. But then he told John Minton that if he still felt that way, would nominate him for interim president. He felt that the faculty & staff and Regents would accept him. Dero Downing told Chairman John David Cole, who met with John Minton at breakfast, John Minton reaffirmed that he was not interested in the position. John Minton served from Jan. 8 to July 31, 1979. Board later officially made him the 5th president, not interim.

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<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Retires</p> <p>Dero Downing 4/15/1985 - Downing - Retires - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/698 <i>Ill, was getting worse. Was drained. To keep any semblance of helath, he had to be in a less stressful position. Some people though he was influenced by the movement of a certain faculty faculty group - that didn't trouble him to extent some people thought it did. Direction given to this movement by Dr. William Buckman and Phil Constans - to force him out. Such issues come & go in academic community. Results of survey - to Courier-Journal - told him he had taught 8th grade arithmetic. Could make out good case for Dero Downing out of what -- . . . He wasn't here to please the faculty. Worked as hard in every job he had at WKU as he did as [president]. In 25 years, never had as much as a 2 week vacation. Couldn't go home at night & weekend & just shut it off. Invited to something about every day. Very demanding. To retain his health, to do the kind of job he wanted to do. Alex: "We won't get our good basketball tickets any more, will we?" Tried to do the best he could. Some he wishes he had done better. Some, he's surprised he did as well as he did.</i></p>	<p>1985</p> <p>Retirements</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Snyder, Harry</p> <p>Presidents: council on Public Higher Education: 1 - Downing: Snyder 1977 Council on Higher Education 1977 Handwritten "Personal" Memo, Dero Downing to Harry Snyder, 6/17/1977 - Sends him 2 letters (not here) from loyal alumni. "recalling a recent discussion in which you stated that you were 'fed up with my attitude toward Western alumni' and you expressed the opinion that 'we don't owe our alumni a damn thing,' there was a feeling that these communiques might explain better than I can do." It is --- ---, "However, understanding of relatively small issues sometimes develops a greater sensitivity to the major issues."</p>	<p>1977</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Students</p> <p>Includes cards: Student Attitudes</p> <p>Kelly Thompson Papers: 12 - Downing: Student Attitudes 1962 Dean of Admissions Memo: Dero Downing to Kelly Thompson, Dec. 26, 1962 - "I have found great satisfaction and much happiness in each of the capacities in which I have worked at Western. As I look back upon the few experiences which have been depressing or have brought unhappiness, I find that in many cases it was the result of undesirable student behavior." Has talked with several students "who go to sleep or demonstrate poor citizenship in chapel." (Some sort of demonstrator on Wed. Dec. 19. What?) "I sincerely hope that we can pool our resources and direct student energies toward constructive outlets." Needs to do more than just get tough and "ship out all trouble makers and potential offenders." We need to change basic attitudes. Suggestions: 1) Chapel directed to this on Jan. 9 2) ROTC Colonel --- it to his cadets. Some of worst over last week were in uniforms. 3) Speak to teams, clubs, other groups. 4) Help from faculty and Student Advisory Council. 5) Dorm residents who know their students could do much more. "In the recent occurrences it has been noted that the dormitory directors stood passively on the fringes of the disturbance." They should take names. 6) More instruction on duties of dorm personnel. 7) "with the assistance of the counselors the dormitory director could make a list of potential trouble makers." Director talk with each as a warning. File list with Dean of Students. Anyone on this list who "later becomes a party to unruly demonstrations would be dealt with severely." --- are no excuse for disbehavior after students have been warned. "When an offender has given sufficient reason to make us doubt that he will conform, we may do all to get rid of him earlier than we have been doing in the past." ". . . we must proceed to work toward the desired campus climate without stirring dormant urges into unwanted action."</p> <p>Collge Heights Herald, Sept. 26. 1969 - Downing: And Students 1969 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4762 Dero Downing and some other administrators met last Tuesday, Sept. 23 in Regents Room with about 50 student leaders. Larry Zielke, president of Associated Student Government, said that "if harmony with the administration is lost it will be lost by the students." Larry Zielke asked about voting memberships for students on the Academic Council.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Friday, Sept. 26, 1969 - Downing - Students 1969 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4762 1 Tuesday after President Dero Downing & some other administrators met with some 50 students in Regents Room to lay foundations for better communications. Dero Downing said he didn't want to make arbitrary decisions & will rely on students & faculty . But - ". . . would be many instances that a decision will lie with the responsibility of the office I hold."</p>	<p>1962-1969</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Unrest</p> <p>Dero Downing, 10/23/1984 - Downing: Unrest - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/697 (See Dero Downing goals - 2-3). Some different times. Regents had established speakers' policy. To use old football stadium. Radical louisville speaker came - purpose was to create problems. Perhaps 100-150 students. Can't tell us where to speak - Came to lawn of administration buidling. We had plan in case that</p>	<p>1984</p> <p>Demonstrations Protest movements</p>

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happened. Charles Keown told them they were trespassing, interfering with normal operations. William Bivin was on open line with judge - order prepared. Sheriff there in about 3 minutes. Six students arrested. Civil Liberties Union represented them. Six students were put on day to day basis. Set tone that allowed WKU to go through that period less harmed than most schools.

New PhD in math - Dr. Hansen(?) --- Anderson? Came to see Dero Downing soon afterwards. Pretty far left in his views. How did it feel to be president without earned PhD? Dero Downing - if I can't do this job as president without it, a whole flock of them ". . . my success as president will depend on whether or not I can do the job." Next year he was gone - his philosophy & attitude were such that students wouldn't tolerate him.

Dero Downing was considered very conservative. Never apologized for that. It helped us deal with some efforts to undermine the university. Some standards have to be maintained. Talked with number of the Berkeley radicals. Students for a Democratic Society - activists. Started at chapter at WKU - Dero Downing was aware that it had potential for serious trouble. Some fine students occasionally got caught up in it. Some racial undercurrents. Can find out about many of these people - we had good relationship with several federal agencies, such as FBI.

WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Views	1964-1971
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Dero Downing Papers: 35 - Downing, Dero: Views 1964
 Council on Public Higher Education 1963-1967
 Dero Downing to Kelly Thompson, May 27, 1964 - (Dero Downing's comments on 10 points from Rough River meeting of Council on Public Higher Education).
 #1 We should strengthen graduate program
 #2 Community college program has been established without adequate planning(?) No more should be built until need is established.
 #4 Favors open admission for any high school graduate with good moral character
 #5 "The pure research which can be carried on by the University is not a function of the State College."
 #6 Keep in-state fees at current level
 #9 Favors Cooperative 6th year Program in Education with University of Kentucky
 #10 School calendar should be on administrative decision & uniform calendar would be desirable.

Dero Downing Papers: 20 - Downing: Views 1971
 Hearing on Education 1971
 Dero Downing Statement Presented July 7, 1971 to Mr. Tom Emberton's Public Hearing on Education - Is talking about the 4 regional universities. ". . . it has been essential that each institution develop its own unique educational philosophy and sense of purpose."
 Fall 1960 the 4 enrolled 12,525
 End of 1966 the 4 enrolled 34,448
 48% of Kentucky --- --- 38% of state funds
 Much building - have been very --- use of revenue bonds. Housing facilities are self-supporting.
 "The rapid growth in higher education during the decade of the 60's must be followed by a period of careful assessment." The Council on Public Higher Education is the coordinating body for higher education. It now has "sufficient authority and latitude . . . to perform this function." "Often to divert public attention from the distasteful problems of resource allocation and their generally unpleasant solutions, individuals and groups propose reorganization of major functions and agencies(?) as a --- for financial difficulties." Such are program to "centralize the administration of higher education within a controlling body rather than a coordinating agency . . ." "Staffed with competent people, the universities have engaged in responsible management." "Restraint and responsibility have been the dominating characteristics of the Council's operations to date." ". . . one must question the intent of those calling for reorganization. The most likely objective is to centralize control over operations." Should beware of trying to solve financial problems by increasing tuition.

WKU - Notecards - Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011 - Work	1974
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Dero Downing Papers: Box 49A - Downing: Work 1974
 Faculty Positions 1973-75
 (Shows that he kept in close touch with staffing - especially from medical(?) needs).
 Memo: Dero Downing to Raymond Cravens, May 1, 1974 - "I have chosen to respond in writing as it provides a record of our discussinos." In the past I have not had as good recollections as I would like, and I'm sure it makes thins more difficult when we have to rely upon recall of oral agreements and understandings." Dero Downing after refers requests to Paul Cook (assistant to the president) for an opinion.

WKU - Notecards - Downing, Harriett (Yarnell)	1978
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Western Alumnus 49:4, Summer 1978 - Downing, Harriett 1978
 Articles & pictures Yarnell
 2 From Searcy, Ark. Intended to be pre-law. Married Dero Downing, Oct. 1943, before (6 months) he went overseas.
 "He was reserved (?) and still is."
 She was pregnant when he left.
 1946 returned to Bowling Green. He taught & coached at College High.

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<p>WKU - Notecards - Draft</p> <p>Includes cards: Draft Dodging Draft Registration</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Friday, Oct. 11, 1940 - Draft 1940 1 Draft registration may be done on the campus next Wednesday at booth in Little Theatre and Snell Hall. Cards will be forwarded to student's home. Will get a registration card. "Keep it with you at all times; if you are questioned as to having registered you can at once prove that you have." 5 Goes on to explain how the draft will work.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Friday, Oct. 25, 1940 - Draft 1940 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3836 1 On October 16 - 287 young men registered for the draft at WKU. Average height - 2" above World War I 5'11" Average weight - 5 pounds heavier 155</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Friday, May 22, 1942 - Draft 1942 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4443 1 While no definite announcement has been made, students in basic course of military service will probably be deferred from the draft. For 1st time, a full course of ROTC will be offered during the summer.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Friday, June 5, 1942 - Draft 1942 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4444 1 WKU has been approved for the Naval V-1 program which allows 1 ½ year of college work to be completed here.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Friday, Jan. 12, 1951 - Draft 1951 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2844/ 1 42 men have "dropped" out of school at call of the armed forces.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Feb. 9, 1951 - Draft 1951 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2843/ 1 College student who is entitled to delay his induction to the end of the current academic year may also have some choice in selecting his branch of service. Designed to keep students from quitting school during a semester.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, March 31, 1966 - Draft 1966 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4690 7 Article on males, Viet Nam & draft. Senior: "Why sit around and worry about it? If Uncle Sam wants me, he will get me. I'll go when I'm called. Until then, I'll study." Another: "A guy can just stand so much. It's hard to study when you're riding on a 2.1. I have to get out of the dorm for a while so that I don't think about it." Junior: "Says war must be escalated to accomplish anything. . . I don't want to go over and fight when I don't even think it is our place to be there. We are forcing ourselves on people who haven't wanted us." Senior: Says draft is necessary. "I won't go until I'm called, but when it comes, I won't balk at it either. I'm not looking for a way out - only a postponement." Another: "It has to be stopped somewhere. It should have ended in Laos. Now it has to be Viet Nam. If not, we will be fighting a lot closer to home." Girl: Boyfriend is in Tonkin Gulf. "When his letters get held up for a length of time, I can't concentrate on my classes." Another girl: "our fathers have done their part. Now it is our turn to defend our beliefs. How can it be any other way?"</p> <p>College Heights Herald, March 16, 1967 - Draft Dodging 1967 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4708 5 Article on the Canadian attitude toward U.S. draft dodgers - it varies.</p> <p>March 23 [1967] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4718 5 article continued. 4 Editorial. Undergraduates need a clearer draft policy. College Heights Herald editors believe that "all student deferments for persons under 23 years old should be eliminated." Wants a national lottery.</p> <p>Kelly Thompson Papers: 46 - Draft 1968 L - General Mrs. Stanley Lambert, Owensboro to Kelly Thompson, Feb. 6, 1968 - Son Roger Wayne will become "cannon fodder" on Feb. 14 because he failed an English course. He wants to be a farmer, not a writer. "If he dies, you should sign his death certificate because in truth, you may have already committed him to death. "Strange as it may seem, I do not hate you. I'm sorry for you, all you stupid, pompous intellectuals may starve to death some day and if I had the power to stop it, I would not lift a finger." [Roger Lambert was NOT killed in Viet Nam].</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Thursday, Jan. 24, 1980 - Draft Registration 1980 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5617 1 President Jimmy Carter last night told Congress he wants to re-start draft registration but hopes it will not be necessary to draft anyone.</p>	<p>1940-1980</p> <p>Draft Draft resisters Military deserters Military service</p>

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Jan. 29 [1980] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5616
 1 Story on reaction on campus. Jeff Stewart, Louisville, ROTC cadet. "You've got to be a damn fool not to be scared. I'm nervous as hell, but if called I'll go. I don't want to get killed, but I'll go."
 3 Gary Werner, Louisville junior: "I don't like it at all, but it's all we can do."
 "I kind of hate to think about it. I hope they get as many as they can without drafting college students."
 Some differences of opinion over whether women should be included or not.
 (Most of them confused actual draft with registration.)

Jan. 31 [1980] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5615
 4 Editorial. Calls for registration of both men and women. "If a war is imminent, we should be prepared." Says that the volunteer army isn't adequate.

WKU - Notecards - Drama

College Heights Herald, April 5, 1935 - Drama 1935
 1 Western Players gave "The Importance of Being Earnest" at Van meter hall last night before +/- 1,000 audience.

Kelly Thompson Papers: 26 - Drama 1960
 Dean of Students
 Dean Charles Keown to Kelly Thompson, May 21, 1960 - Quotes several comments from staff members over "the inappropriateness" of recent Western Players production of "Picnic."
 "It was raw."
 "One would expect something like that on Broadway - but not here."
 Has caused a great deal of talk (mostly to discredit of college) on campus and in town.

College Heights Herald, Friday, Nov. 21, 1969 - Drama: Mame 1969 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4774
 1 "Mame" will conclude 6 day run in Van Meter tomorrow. Joint production by Speech & Theatre and Music departments. Standing ovations after each performance. 1st collegiate production of it. Senior pat Reed is star.

Daily News, Jan. 7, 1973 - Drama Tour(?) 1973
 26 Westerners are enrolled in the short-study tour of London theatre - 1st such course-trip that WKU has offered.

Daily News, 1-17-1980 - Drama 1980
 Acting Head Regis O'Connor has canceled any campus performance of "The World According to Garp" because 2 scenes of oral sex "would create a negative and harmful image of the department . . ." It may be performed at meeting in ---.

1935-1980
 Theatrical productions
 Censored works
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WKU - Notecards - Dramatic Club

College Heights Herald, Feb. 1930 - Dramatic Club 1930 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2273/
 1 Dramatic Club was recently organized with Mrs. T.C. Cherry as sponsor + 20 charter members.

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 Drama
 Drama clubs
 Student organizations

WKU - Notecards - Dress

Includes cards:
 Dress Code
 Dress Standards

State Normal Bulletin Aug. 1908 - Dress 1908 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2076/
 29 Get inquiries about dress of students. No uniform. "Neat, simple clothes are worn, and nothing showy or expensive is encouraged. Very little, if any, more expense need be attached to this item than there would be if the student remained at home."

Gordon Wilson Diary Aug. 4, 1959 - Dress 1959
 Recalls that in his young days they wore the same heavy clothing in summer in winter. Thin underwear was ---. But feels that college will have to check student tendency toward too much freedom(?). "The dean of students and the heads of dormitories might be empowered to say what people may wear."
 ". . . your (Kelly Thompson) very sensible remarks about faculty attire wrought some fine reforms."

July 26, 1960 - Girls wore hats to class; boys wore coats & stiff collars even when temperature went to 100 degrees.

Libraries: Correspondence - Dress Code 1959 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3047

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<p>Sara Tyler 1961-1972 Sara Tyler & Margie Helm to President Kelly Thompson, Sept. 17, 1959 - Girls generally change into shorts when classes are over & go so attired anywhere on campus for rest of the day & on Saturday. (Student assistants don't wear shorts at work.) Since this has become the practice, Library staff would like for a statement to be made about the change in policy. "Perhaps it is not as bad as banning students wearing shorts in the Library as banning them so dressed out on the streets downtown. "Could the girls be counseled also about not going out on the campus with their hair in curlers?"</p>	
<p>Libraries Correspondence: 1961-72 - Dress Code 1964 Sara Tyler - Charles Keown folder Memo: Sara Tyler to President Kelly Thompson, May 20, 1964 - Wants to have signs made for library stating that dress code for library is same as for classes. Neither men nor women can wear shorts, Bermudas, capris, treadsors or peddle-pushers. "I understand the faculty members send the students out of class when they come in shorts."</p>	
<p>College Heights Bulletin 31:6, Feb. 1965 - Dress Standards 1965 26 "The College does not permit students to wear shorts in the classrooms, laboratories, libraries, or offices . . ." Gives some details of normal wear for men & women.</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, Thursday, May 5, 1966 - Dress Code? 1966 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4687 4 "Guest Editorial" for Senior Samuel L. Edwards. When he entered Margie Helm Library last Saturday he was "taken aback and humiliated by the fact that I was asked to tuck in my shirt before entering." Didn't make a scene but is infuriated by this infringement upon his rights. Says Bermuda shorts have also been prohibited, for reasons not known.</p>	
<p>May 12 [1966] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4686 6 Says that several years ago library requested that attire requirements for library be same as for classrooms. Would contribute to best library atmosphere. Editorial says this is not necessary. ". . . the ideas which were appropriate for a small college no longer apply in all cases."</p>	
<p>Kentucky Library - Dress Code 1966 Memo: Sara Tyler to Miss Julia Neal & staff of Kentucky Building, May 25, 1966 - Margie Helm library observe the student dress code (no shorts, etc.) in Student Handbook, 1965, p. 28. Since you have so many visitors(?) your approach "has to be more flexible." "We are no longer asking the young men to tuck in their long shirt tails."</p>	
<p>Kelly Thompson Papers: 44 - Dress Code 1966 H-General 1968-1970 Mary E. Heltsley, State College, Pa., to Dr. O.J. Wilson, Aug. 5, 1966 - Ex-WKU student; new college professor about 6 weeks ago was on campus, went by library to speak to a relative who was on staff. Checker refused to admit me because I was in shorts. Took some time before she would ask relative to come to door to see me.</p>	
<p>Kelly Thompson to her, Aug. 15, 1966 - Sorry; a new employee. When you come back, you'll find that the rule has been changed.</p>	
<p>Libraries Correspondence 1961-72 - Dress Code 1966 Sara Tyler - Kelly Thompson (1) Memo: Sara Tyler to President Kelly Thompson, Sept. 7, 1966 - At yesterday's staff meeting she informed them about the change in regulation for students' dress. Assumes that students working in the library will have to continue to be suitably dressed.</p>	
<p>WKU Bulletin 34:6 Sept. 1966 - Dress Code 1967 27 The dress code makes recommendations on proper attire but it does not outlaw shorts. (It doesn't mention them.)</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, March 28, 1968 - Dress Code 1968 6 Editorial. Says that last year's Residence Hall Guide "flatly stated that girls could not wear shorts or slacks to class." That statement is not in this year's Guide. "Poor taste" for a woman to smoke while "walking on campus or on the street."</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, Tuesday, March 2, 1971 - Dress 1971 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4799 5 Says pantsuits are becoming common among female faculty & staff - within past few months.</p>	
<p>College Heights Herald, 2/21/1984 - Dress Code 1984 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5888 Dan Meyer had on baseball cap in health class last Tuesday with Dr. Ray Biggerstaff. Ray Biggerstaff asked him to remove it. Dan Meyer said he got up late, hair would have embarrassed him, asked to go to back of room. Ray Biggerstaff: "If you're going to be that finicky, you might as well get out." Dan Meyer left. Ray Biggerstaff later apologized after he saw Department head James Dunn. No dress code in effect.</p>	

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<p>WKU - Notecards - Drinking</p> <p>Kelly Thompson Papers: 26 - Drinking 1965 Dean of Students</p> <p>2 Memos: Dean of Students Charles Keown to Kelly Thompson, Nov. 8, 1965 - All campuses have drinking problem; we're trying to work out a policy to present to you soon. Our problem is less serious than at other state colleges & universities. There was considerable drinking at the Homecoming Dance in Academic-Athletic Building [Diddle Arena]. Once 2,000 attended. Over 100 bottles were picked up afterwards & many were probably carried outside. But as we circulated among the tables, we did not see evidence of them.</p> <p>Charles Keown saw only 2 incidents of people who appeared to be drinking. One was a non-student, & he wasn't admitted. "The other individual appeared to be tipsy. I spoke to him concerning his condition, but I was not absolutely sure after standing and talking with him that he was under the influence of liquor because after these students dance to a rock and roll band for two or three hours, they very often look pretty ruffled with shirt tails out, perspiring profusely and in what I would call a general worked-up condition."</p> <p>College Heights Herald, 2-9-1984 - Drinking 1984 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5891 Associated Student Government Committee plans to poll students on their desire for beer at ballgames and concerts. Daniel Bradford, student body president at University of Kentucky, contends that the campus prohibition rests on ruling of Attorney General, not act. If poll is favorable, will talk to President Donald Zacharias about WKU applying for license.</p> <p>Drinking 1984 Several people have reported that champagne was served at the Kentucky Library on August 21, 1984 at the celebration honoring Miss Margie Helm on her 90th birthday. If so, this must have been the first official occasion when this was done.</p>	<p>1965-1984</p> <p>Alcoholic beverages</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Drinks</p> <p>College Heights Herald, 1/13/1983 - Drinks 1983 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/532/ During 1 month in 1982 Garrett Conference Center sold 1,250 gallons of soft drinks and WKU cafeteria sold 6,300 gallons. In one month vending machines sold about \$6,000 worth. About 40 machines are on campus.</p>	<p>1983</p> <p>Soft drink industry. Vending machines</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Drop Period</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Friday, March 26, 1976 - Drop Period 1976 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5143 1 Academic Council yesterday compromised on period allowed for withdrawal from a class & established 6 week cut off for a grade of W. 1st 2 votes were ties. Raymond Cravens broke tie.</p>	<p>1976</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Drouth</p> <p>College Heights Herald, June 19, 1936 - Drouth 1936 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3762 1 Dry weather is threatening to ruin beauty of campus. R.C. Woodward is much concerned.</p>	<p>1936</p> <p>Droughts</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Drugs</p> <p>Includes cards - Drugs: Regents</p> <p>Kelly Thompson Papers: 50 - Drugs 1968 Students, Problem Cases</p> <p>Bowling Green Daily News, Feb. 8, 1968 - Three students (2 men, 1 woman) were arrested for selling narcotic drugs (marijuana). 4 girls & 1 boy were detained for questioning. Charles Keown - doesn't know how wide-spread drug use is. Police estimate 25-50 students are users. (A few others were arrested later.)</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Friday, Jan. 19, 1973 - Drugs 1973 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4994 1 Detective Sergeant Fred Lancaster of Bowling Green Police says drugs are now readily available in Bowling Green, up to and including heroin. Most common is still marijuana. Says LSD use has declined 50% in past year. 3 Says problem here is less than at most other college towns.</p> <p>Dero Downing Papers: 48 - Drugs 1973+ Drug Problems Committee June 5, 1970 Dr. Henry Hardin becomes chair of the committee (9 members) which had been appointed in March. Dr. Harlan Stuckwisch had been co-chairman.</p> <p>Memo: Charles Keown to Vice President John Minton, Oct. 3, 1973 - Reports on program(?) in his area. Has had drug sessions for hall directors & counselors since 1967. Workshop in Aug. 1973 - 200 people. Several people have attended national workshops. 4 pamphlets made available to all hall residents since 1970.</p>	<p>1968-1985</p> <p>Drug abuse Drug law enforcement Marijuana</p>

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<p>Drugs discussed at freshman convocation for past 5 years.</p> <p>Memo: J. David Dunn to Vice President John Minton, Oct. 3, 1973 - Report on department (Health & Safety) work on drug education.</p> <p>Memo: Stanley H. Brumfield, Director of University Counseling Center, Oct. 3, 1973 - Report on what has been done in that area.</p> <p>Memo: John Minton to Dero Downing, Oct. 3, 1973. Includes those (above reports) on what WKU has been doing.</p> <p>Memo: Dero Downing to Regents, Oct. 4, 1973 - Refers to Dr. W.R. McCormack's "timely reference to one of our most serious social problems." Here is Dr. John Minton's hurriedly prepared summary of what is being done.</p> <p>Memo: John Minton to Dero Downing, Nov. 16, 1973 - Concerns a proposed Drug Unit for WKU. Has had meeting (Nov. 15) with a number of people & Mr. Richard J. Walker, Executive Director, Barren River Mental Health - Mental Retardation Board, re: his proposal for such a Unit. Will meet again Nov. 19.</p> <p>Memo: John Minton to Dero Downing, Dec. 11, 1973 - Second meeting was held Nov. 19, 1973 and a 3rd one Nov. 27. Concerns that advisory council be set up to coordinate activities but that no drug unit be established on campus or near it.</p> <p>Courier-Journal, Sept. 30, 1973 - Drugs 1973 Dr. W.R. McCormack, chairman of Regents, called yesterday for a special session on drugs that would bring in state & local officials. He doesn't believe enough is being done with the problem.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Oct. 2, 1973 - Drugs: Regents 1973 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3504 1 Dr. W.R. McCormack, chairman of Regents, at Saturday meeting, called for executive committee to study drug problem. "We must take a stand now, not later. Some students seemingly think smoking marijuana is a light thing, like smoking a cigarette. But as a doctor of medicine I know it can lead to other drugs." "Students don't realize what they're doing . . . they're destroying themselves."</p> <p>Oct. 5 [1973] - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3503 4 Letter from Junior Lon Durbin. Refers to Dr. W.R. McCormack's "absurd generalizations." "I hope you're not as misinformed in other medical areas as you are in the area of marijuana and drug abuse."</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Friday, Oct. 12, 1973 - Drugs 1973 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/3501 4 Letter from Debra Green, sophomore. "If the Board of Regents does meet to discuss the drug problem, I hope Dr. W.R. McCormack is not a typical example of the men on the committee. I don't see how a group of people knowing as little as he knows could discuss the subject. I think the only thing he knows about marijuana is that it is smoked."</p> <p>"Does Dr. McCormack think because he is a doctor of medicine he is an authority on everything? His statements show conservative narrow-mindedness instead of knowledge."</p> <p>Editorial - no more letters will be used on Dr. W.R. McCormack's remarks.</p> <p>Dero Downing Papers: 14 - Drugs Drug Abuse Advisory Council Around 1973-74 considerable attention is being devoted to drug problem on campus. Dr. John Minton was put in --- control. See Memo: Dero Downing to Regents, April 15, 1974. (See large folder: Drug Education Program).</p> <p>Regents Minutes - Executive Committee, May 18, 1974 - Drugs 1974 Executive Committee, May 18, 1974. Present also for 1st part, Sergeant Detective Fred Laventer(?) of Bowling Green Police Department & Detective Louis R. Stiles(?) State Police. They said: most students pose no problem. +/- 5% do. Larger deals are made off-campus. Very little marijuana used at the rock concerts. "The students seem to have a respect for campus-sponsored activities." Said fine relationship with WKU officers & Student Affairs Dean. WKU's drug program "is most effective."</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Friday, Dec. 6, 1974 - Drugs 1974 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5043 4 Editorial. Says "Marijuana use should be decriminalized." Would apply to possession, not to sales.</p> <p>College Heights Herald, April 19, 1983 - Drugs 1983 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/2357/ Campus police arrested 4 students in a drug bust - 2nd largest since 1974.</p> <p>Dero Downing 4/15/1985 Drugs - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/698 WKU is a cross-section of society. We viewed drugs as a significant problem - wasn't rampant. Took hard-nosed approach. A source or two in town claimed it was</p>	

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<p>rampant on campus. Dero Downing went to state police, asked for in depth investigation. Assigned 2 undercover agents who lived in dorm, registered for classes, spent 1 semester here. Had report read by police before Regent's. Very complimentary report. Made 22 arrests - 19 were non-students. Put to rest some of stories that were being circulated. Ebb & flow of drugs.</p>	
<p>WKU - Notecards - Due Process: Faculty</p> <p>College Heights Herald, Tuesday, Oct. 22, 1974 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/5033 1 Faculty Affairs Committee of Academic Council recommended academic due process procedures for the faculty. WKU does not have a detailed, stated procedure at present. Covers tenure, dismissal, etc.</p>	<p>1974</p>
<p>WKU - Notecards - Duplication</p> <p>Donald Zacharias Papers: B Folder - Duplication 1982 [John Y.?] Brown to Donald Zacharias, March 23, 1982 - He & other presidents should take a hard look at program duplication. "We simply cannot afford to continue offering the same programs at several different universities." (Before end of 1982 it is "John" or "John Y." except on formal occasions.)</p>	<p>1982 Curriculum</p>