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GREETINGS from Music Hall on College Heights

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After a lapse of a year, we deemed it desirable to contact the many alumni and friends of Western's Music School and bring them up-to-date on what is and has been going on at WKSC as well as to wish each of you a HAPPY YULETIDE! With a two-week vacation looming upon the horizon plus the many Christmas programs and social affairs, we are all brought to a sudden realization that another Yuletide is very near as well as a new calendar date to get used to.

ACTIVITIES OF 1963-64

A very busy Spring schedule of senior recitals, tours by the choir and wind ensemble and the usual Music Festivals were held. Music Festivals were not only the largest ever but the quality of performances, especially by the large groups, was much finer. Some very fine work is being done by our alumni in the immediate vicinity. 1964 started out with a "bang" with the annual KMEA State Convention being held on the campus. The new Academic-Athletic Building was the center of much of the convention activities. An enthusiastic group of KMEA members enjoyed a fine time at the convention. The E. A. Diddle Arena proved to be very adequate for holding events involving a large number of students in performance. An All State Chorus of 800 plus two concert bands each presented an outstanding program of good music for an audience of several thousand. MENC President, Alex Zimmerman, was a special guest and was impressed with the quality of work being done in Kentucky.

An innovation was begun by the men's music fraternity, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, with the presentation of "Spotlights On the Hill" which was a very entertaining music variety show with an all male cast. The folk singing trio with guitar was the musical hit of the evening plus a fine stage band and several comical skits. This year's show will be presented on January 7. The proceeds from last year's show was put into a scholarship fund, and a stipend of $150.00 was awarded to Arthur Douglas, an outstanding music major freshman from Bowling Green.

Fourteen seniors received the Bachelor of Music degree in June or August.

Every one is teaching or doing graduate work in music as follows:

Linda Ashby and Carol Boyken both are teaching at Meade Co. H. S., Brandenburg.
Steve King is director of music at Coburn, Virginia.
Karen Bozarth Willis is teaching in a school for handicapped at Evansville, In.
Doris Butler is teaching at Conner Jr. High, Hebron, Ky.
Denny VanArsdale and Carol Meyer are doing graduate work at Peabody.
Art Monroe is at McLean, Virginia in the Washington area.
Jean Cerver Fuller is teaching in a suburb of Tucson, Arizona.
Carmella Overton Dexter (Mrs. Carroll) is teaching in Puerto Rico.
Barbara and Ronnie Jonson are at U. of Georgia where Ron has a fellowship.
John and Carol Larkin are both teaching at Greenville, Ohio.
Janet Hogue Hite is teaching in her home town of Middlesboro, Ky.
Roy Griffin is band director at West High School, Birmingham, Alabama

FALL 1964-65

School opened in September with a total college enrollment of over 6,800. The campus is bursting at the seams! Over 475 are taking Music Appreciation in five sections. Our music majors went considerably over the 100 mark plus a number of music minors.

Three new faculty members were added to the music department. Virgil Hale, tenor, came from Howard College in Alabama to help out in the voice department and to...
begin some serious work in opera production. Already his work has been in evidence with a recent very successful presentation of Humperdinck's "Hansel and Gretel" in a cooperative venture with the Young Artists Promotion organization with headquarters in Louisville. Soloists were imported from Chicago and Indiana U, in addition to Louisville and Western students. Western furnished the chorus and orchestra. Two performances were also given in Louisville the week before Xmas. The other news items include Dr. and Mrs. Edward Pease. Dr. Pease is teaching brass, theory and music appreciation. Mrs. Pease is concertmaster of the orchestra and first violinist in the Faculty String Quartet. The Pease came here from Iowa Wesleyan. Dr. Pease has his Ph.D. from Indiana U. Mrs. Pease has her Master's from Indiana U, and is teaching strings on a part time basis. Mrs. Jack Eversole is continuing as a part time voice teacher.

The Marching Band of nearly 100 enjoyed a very successful season. The sound was solid and the maneuvers were precise and well executed. They went to Murray for their annual out of town jaunt in the Fall. Band Day was colorful, and the massed band performance was thrilling. Nick Koenigstein, Western '10, brought his Marching Band over from Eastern for Homecoming. He has a good sounding and appearing group this year.

The Concert Chorus presented a fine program in November directed by Mr. Hale. The orchestra, under Dr. Stone, assisted. The Choir, Ohm Pauli director, was heard on the Mutual Broadcasting system on December 14 in a half hour of Xmas music. clinic

In November a very successful one day on Elementary Music was held with Dr. Martha Pearlman from Indiana State College, Terre Haute, as the special clinician. An enthusiastic group of over 50 elementary music teachers was on hand to enjoy and benefit by the progressive and practical ideas that the visiting clinician had to offer. Miss Gertrude and James Godfrey were in charge of the clinic. A senior high vocal clinic, featuring special work for soloists and small vocal ensembles, will be held the last of March. More information will be released on this event at a later date. A clinic for woodwind players is in the offing. Things are happening in the Music Department "On the Hill"!

FACULTY NEWS:

In addition to the above mentioned new faculty (all additions by the way) the rest of the music faculty has been doing things and going places. Miss Hale toured the Scandinavian countries last summer journeying to within 525 miles of the North Pole. Dr. Howard Carpenter visited the World's Fair. Mrs. Chisholm spent the summer interin at Lake Chataqua, N. Y. Ed Knob has been guest conducting at several places in the South already this fall. Ohm Pauli attended a Danforth camp in Illinois last summer. Edward Thaden is active in the Kentucky Camper's Club and is one of the new Vice Presidents of NMAA. Bennie Beach has been doing some composing lately and is currently working on a commissioned work to be performed by the Decatur Alabama High School band at the Southern Conference to be held in Louisville next March. His "Fanfare and Choral" (originally written for Western's Founders Day) is to open the Kentucky Night program at the same conference. Dr. Stone has been doing several evaluations for NCATE, and busy as Southern Chairman of NMAA. Ye Editor had the summer off from teaching and took a four weeks tour of the West and attended the Kiwanis International Convention at Los Angeles. Also my duties as President of KHEA have kept me considerably occupied of late. Will see all of you Southern music educators at Louisville, March 10-13.
WHERE THEY ARE AND WHY

Dr. Charles Ball, '54, is head of voice department at Austin Peay, Clarksville, Tenn.
Bill Miller, '54, is still in Europe singing opera and solo recitals.
Waverly Lee, '56, was here for Homecoming. He is at Selma Alabama, directing bands.
Bob Schuonch, '56, has his Masters degree and is teaching at Gerard Co., Lancaster.
Ira Weidemann, '48, is still in Ohio. Wrecked her car in Nov., but not injured.
Pan Hart Foust, '60, had twins recently.
Francine Walker Kirkwell, '59, is living in Cleveland, Ohio, where Ronnie is teaching.
Mary Ann Hender, '61, was a graduate assistant here last year. Is now working in
library and playing in Nashville Symphony.
Robert Stevens, '61, is band director at Cherokee, Alabama.
Larry Gatewood, '63, is band director at Cullman, Alabama.
Bob and Judy Hilton, '61, are both teaching near Cullman, Alabama.
Steeley Veach, '63, has returned to Kentucky and is teaching at Loyal H.S., Loyal, Ky.
Larry Moore, '60, is working on the Masters degree at Peabody.
Ray Makeever, '56, will present his Ottawa, Ill., band at Mid-West Band Clinic.
David Williams, '62, is teaching voice at Phillips U., Enid, Oklahoma.
Wendell Jeffers, '56, is teaching in an American High School in Germany.
Vernon Spurling, '60, is band director at Breckinridge Co. H.S., Hardinsburg, Ky.
Mary Charles Hibbs, '62, is vocal director at West Hardin H.S. near E-town.
Jack McCarty, '50, is band director at London, Ky.
Luther Lewis, '50, is back at Clintwood, Virginia.
Helen Stimmett McReynolds, '61, recently had a little one. Husband Larry is a
senior in the Dental School at U. of Louisville.
Joe Allen, '60, is now at Charleston, Missouri, directing vocal and instrumental.
B. G. Long, '56, is frequently seen on WISH-TV where she is a steady employee.
Beverly Morgan Bell, '55, is doing a fine piece of work in elementary and junior
high music at Harrisburg, Ill. She recently put together an
outstanding curriculum and course of study for her schools.
Nancy Pritchard Russell, '50, is now a Western faculty wife since her husband,
Harvin, is head of the physics dept. They have 1 children.
Steve Combs, '51, is to take his Oak Ridge band to Memphis for a big band clinic.
Joe Lipps, '57, is taking his Jacksonville, Florida, band to N. Y. World's Fair.
Bob Horton, '52, is on the KMEA board and is finishing his Masters at Murray.
George Hills, '59, is band director at Warren Co. H.S. He got masters in August.
David Livingston, '51, is studying at Ohio State U. He had a new symphonic work
performed by the Oklahoma City Symphony, then flew to Michigan for another performance of the same work. Congratulations, Dave!
Edward Bridges, '52, is a Captain in the Army Special Services. He is currently on
tour of S. America directing a band. Home base is Panama.
Cass Buchheit, '51, moved from Caneyville to Pleasure Ridge in Jefferson Co., and
will become a bride during the Xmas Holidays.

CODA:

Another reminder to all Music Educators in the Southern Division to be sure and
make plans to be in Louisville the second week in March. A great program is being
planned and many Westerners will be there. KMEA will have a luncheon, March 13.

Keep us informed about your activities and keep us further informed about your
outstanding music students who should consider the music education profession and
Western in particular! You all come and visit us! You won't recognize the campus.

MERRY CHRISTMAS and A HAPPY NEW YEAR !!!