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BACCALAUREATE SUNDAY NIGHT

The largest graduating class ever--approximately 740--takes center stage this weekend for the traditional closing ceremonies. Baccalaureate is set for 7:30 p.m. Sunday in Ed Landreth Auditorium and on next Wednesday, the Commencement processional moves into Daniel-Meyer Coliseum at the same hour.

Both promise to be memorable occasions—the last over which Dr. M. E. Sadler will preside as Chancellor. Dr. Robert Naylor, president of SW Baptist Theological Seminary, brings the Baccalaureate sermon and Gov. John B. Connally the Commencement address. Faculty folks are reminded we'll gather on the walk near Jarvis Sunday evening and near the Stadium scoreboard on Wednesday—starting at 7 o'clock. Too, Chief Marshal George Fowler reminds it will be most helpful if we form ourselves into two lines as quickly as possible after reaching the assembly areas. See thee there.

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THE 1964-1965 SCHOOL YEAR

A creature of habit (and aren't we all?), Ye Ole Bulletin likes to sit down in a quiet spot at this time each year and take a glance back over the session just ending. What hoppened? As per always, the days and weeks were crowded with classes, meetings, social events, developments large and small—a whole host of things that make it difficult to spot trends and/or make evaluations. Mayhap we can look first at a few specifics and then generalize.

To most, the 1964-65 school year will be memorable as the last under the firm and inspired hand of M. E. Sadler. His decision to retire from the Chancellorship, after 24 very fruitful and eventful years, brings to a close one of the most significant eras in the University's history.

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ENROLLMENT STEADY, COSTS UP

For the final year of the "Sadler Era", our enrollment held about steady—despite a 25% tuition increase effective in September. For Summer-Fall-Spring semesters we registered 9,605 individual students, a decline of 78 or .8% from the year before. Harris College and Fine Arts had good increases and, significantly, Grad School continued to boom with a 13.1% jump. The ever-growing interest in our programs of advanced study is of great importance.

It should be noted too that the quality of the young people coming to us continues to improve steadily. During the year, academic suspensions and probations fell to an eight-year low, 49% of the entering freshmen were in the upper quarter of their high school classes (vs. 39% two years ago), average scores on the verbal section of SAT hit 491 (up 44 points from 1962) and the math average jumped to 504 (up 50 points in two years).

Despite rising costs in all areas, the University's financial position remained strong. A king-size boost in the average compensation of our full-time faculty members (at 12.6% the largest of any Texas school for the year), went into effect. Our \$8,950,000 for the fiscal year ending Aug. 31 promises to be the "tightest" in some time but we are still living within our means. Outside support continued strong and gifts during the year included the 18-story Medical Arts Building downtown and the \$500,000 grant from the Moody Foundation recently.

NEW FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

As you'll recall, the start of Fall semester was marked by the opening of the six new buildings on Worth Hills. These handsome structures, costing some \$4,500,000, made up the largest addition to our physical facilities ever made in a single year. They also gave us an on-campus housing capacity of some 2,600--an item of much importance in our present situation. Two of the older dorms were not used to capacity during the year but from all indications, we'll need every bed in sight starting next Fall.

It should be recorded too that our new FM radio station took to the air on a regular schedule; Computer Center received new and more powerful equipment; the Language Lab was completely redone giving us the latest facilities; the Ex-Lettermen added a handsome new "Clubroom" to the Coliseum (which also got extensive roof repairs and a new paint job); books and materials in the Library soared over the 500,000 mark for the first time (and it was linked by teletype to those of other major schools in the area under the Inter-University Council program). On the whole, our situation in the area of facilities and equipment was very good.

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STRONG FACULTY, ADMINISTRATION

A compilation by the Deans early last Fall listed 290 full-time faculty members and 207 part-time teachers. The full-time total was perhaps a bit high as it included some on leave and administrators holding professorial rank. Some 56% of the full-time staff held the doctorate degree (139 Ph. D.'s) and the feeling that our faculty was not only the largest in history but best qualified seems entirely justified.

There were grievous losses. Mack (Poss)Clark, assistant to the athletic director, died suddenly on Aug. 13. David Preston, chairman and creator of Ballet Division, was taken on Oct. 24. Lela Tomlinson died Jan. 8 and John Brigham, the gifted voice teacher who retired in August, on Jan. 22. Beatrice Hall, wife of the late Dean Colby D. Hall, died Feb. 4.

Administratively, Dr. James M. Moudy became Executive Vice-Chancellor Sept. 1. He did an outstanding job during the year and will become Acting Chief Administrative Officer when Dr. Sadler retires June 30. When the Chancellor became ill in February, the entire administrative structure continued to operate smoothly--thanks to the effectiveness of the Vice-Chancellors, Deans, Department and Division heads.

A YEAR OF VISITORS AND EVENTS

For the number of distinguished visitors and outstanding events, 1964-65 probably set a new record. Dr. Hans Rosenhaupt, Director of Woodrow Wilson Fellowship Foundation, spoke forcefully in behalf of the "private schools" at Fall Convocation. Visiting Nobel Prize Winners included Dr. J. W. Debye and Dr. Linus Pauling. Other speakers were Dr. Charles Malik, Dr. Edward Teller, Dr. Frederick Sietz (president of National Science Foundation), Supreme Court Justice Tom Clark, Dr. Waldo Beach, Dr. Gustave Arlt (head of Council of Graduate Schools of the U.S.), Author Robert Penn Warren, many others.

At Homecoming, the Bob Hope-Henry Mancini show was a smash hit in the Coliseum (more than breaking even on an \$18,000 price tag). Offerings of the Select Series, Little Theatre, School of Fine Arts were especially good--and well attended. Howdy Week, Parents Weekend, Homecoming, Honors Day, Creative Writing Day, International Festival, Fine Arts Festival--all were well planned and presented. The Science Open House was revived and we hosted meetings of the College Counselors, Texas Foreign Language Assn., Texas Section of the Math Assn. of America, the Science Fair, Citizenship & Career Conference, the Region II high school Meet. In fact, we were right busy.

TRIUMPHS AND TRIBULATIONS

Let the record also show that there were other unrelated but indicative developments. Our people gave a record \$10,800 to United Fund--winning the "Outstanding Citizen Award" for the third straight year. Civil Defense teams to handle campus shelters were organized. We gave considerable help to Jarvis Christian College with top administrators and faculty members visiting often to teach and advise. A sixth Ph. D. program, in History, was approved to start next Fall. Special Courses (seminars, workshops, etc.) flourished and some, notably the Collective Bargaining and Arbitration Conference, achieved the high quality we seek. For the first time, we came up with three Summer Institutes--in Science and Math, Secondary Teachers of English and the Peace Corps.

But any impression that 1964-65 was all "Wine and Roses" would not be entirely correct. Our Research Foundation program did not achieve the impetus we had hoped. Our bid for accreditation of the M.B.A. program was snagged and delayed by AACSB. Athletically, it was NOT a Frog year--at least so far as win-lost records go. Near year's end, we lost some outstanding staff and faculty members--notably Larry Smith, Win Manning and Glenn Sparks. And, of course, the change in Dr. Sadler's responsibilities was the over-riding development of the period.

WHAT KIND OF A YEAR WAS IT?

In an effort then, to summarize the 92nd session, it seems entirely safe to say that on the whole the University moved forward steadily. Our faculty, facilities, quality of students, academic program, special events, financial support, administrative efficiency—all were just about the best in our history.

There were areas of concern. The rapid growth of tax-supported education on our doorstep (including the possibility of Junior Colleges that would certainly affect us to some extent) was one. Another was the matter of ever-increasing costs--including salary levels that will help to retain top teachers and staff members.

In the more nebulous realms of morale, dedication, future planning and cooperation, the "Campus Family" earned very high marks indeed. The faculty social program was most enjoyable, faculty meetings stimulating and informative, the weekly luncheons well attended. While we all worked hard, we also had a lot of fun. Certainly a high spot was the occasion when we all presented that colored TV set to Dr. and Frances Sadler. And we were proud when the Newcomen Society in North America honored the Chancellor with that elaborate black-tie dinner at the Fort Worth Club.

THE FUTURE WE FACE

And so, what lies ahead in 1965-66? For one thing, the 93rd session will see us only seven years away from our Centennial Celebration (in 1972-73). We are now certain that our freshman class will be larger and all dorms in service. For the first time, we'll award more than 1,000 degrees in a calendar year--adding the Summer Commencement total to June's record class. Doctoral work will start in history, the Master's and other Ph. D. programs should continue to flourish, the refinement and upgrading of undergrad work will continue.

Certainly there are signs that things look up athletically. We had a fine freshman grid team last Fall and Abe Martin & Co. did very well in the 1965 recruitment wars. By 1966, we should have a very potent team indeed. In Basketball, the sophomores of 1964-65 should mature into a really rugged outfit. The baseball team, which won most of its non-Conference games but fared poorly in championship play, should improve. We'll have a new coach in track but prospects there are not encouraging.

Some potent new faculty and staff members take over in September. They include Dr. E. Leigh Secrest, who as new head of Research Foundation and Dean of Grad School, faces the biggest challenge—and opportunity. Herb LaGrone becomes Dean of Education, Jack Cogdill takes over Theatre Arts, Howard Wible becomes Dean of Students, Fernando Schaffenburg chairman of Ballet, Lt. Col. Donald Thompson takes command of Army ROTC.

THE MAJOR DECISION: A NEW CHANCELLOR

On June 30, Dr. M. E. Sadler moves his office downtown. As the new Executive Chairman of the Board of Trustees he will continue to work hard for the University—especially in building up our endowment resources. Our Centennial Goals call for \$50,000,000 of these undergirding funds and we predict that Dr. Sadler, and those working with him, will achieve that goal.

But by all odds, the most important development of the coming months will be the selection of a new Chancellor. For on the energy, skill, dedication and devotion of the new chief administrator will depend the University's future.

At present, the Board Committee to recommend the new leader (headed by M. J. Neeley) is working slowly and thoroughly. As yet, they have given no indication as to when a report will be made. But all of them, as well as the full membership of the Board which must give the final approval, are deeply aware of the importance of their decision. No group is more dedicated to the institution's welfare and future. They will make the good decision.

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OFFICIAL ABSENCES

The full membership of TCU Band was absent from campus from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., MONDAY, MAY 17, in order to march in the "All America City" parade.

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YEAREND NOTES ON FOLKS AND THINGS

The attention of all is called to the fifth annual Southwest Faculty Conference to be held at TWC June 11-13 with the theme, "Faculty Concern With Student Values". Jim Dyal or Bobby Sanders can give you full details on the three-day session.

Our Army and Air Force ROTC will commission 25 graduates at annual ceremonies next Wednesday (June 2) at 2 p.m. in Student Center. Everyone is invited. Wylie Alford will be here from Washington to give the address.

"Shakespeare 1964", the fine book about campus events celebrating the quadricentennial of "The Bard" last year, has come from the printers. A very handsome work indeed that can be purchased in the Bookstore or from English Department.

Graham Kent of Army ROTC has been re-assigned to Taiwan (Formosa) and was honored at a dinner last week at Western Hills. Attending were Col. Richard Kemble of Army Depot, Jeff Horn, John Forsyth, Richard Lysiak and their wives. Good luck Graham!

That \$5,000 grant from Gulf Oil Corp. last week was most welcome. Dr. O. James Sowell accepted the check on behalf of the University.

The second edition of Warren Agee's book, "Introduction to Mass Communications", has come off the Dodd, Mead & Co. presses. Coauthored by Edwin Emery and Phillip H. Ault, it has been adopted by 175 colleges and universities and translated into Japanese and Korean.

Wayne Braden reports that the printed proceedings of the eighth Biennial Meeting of the Assn. of Seminary Professors in Practical Fields (held here in June 1964) has come from the presses. The Religious Education Summary was done by Gentry Shelton.

A scholarly study of "The Ecology of Shallow Water Ostracods of the West Coast of Florida", done by Neil Hulings and Harbans S. Puri of the Florida Geological Survey, has just been reprinted in pamphlet form.

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YEAREND NOTES (Continued)

Alex Hoffman is new president of the Dallas-Fort Worth Chapter of the Assn. for Computing Machinery. Joe B. Wyatt, Evening College instructor and the former president, has been named director of Computer Center at UofHouston.

Cy LaGrone attended a conference of Chairman of Psychology Departments offering doctoral degrees in Atlanta recently. The event was sponsored by the Southern Regional Education Board.

W. A. Welsh, former member of our Board and now president of College of the Bible in Lexington, spoke to the seniors at UofWest Virginia at Baccalaureate this week.

Jim Purcell of English will be a member of the cast for Eugene Ionesco's play "The Lesson", to be presented the evening of May 31 in the Fort Worth Art Center at 8:15 p.m. He'll play a mad professor but denies it was "type casting". In any event, all members of the faculty are cordially invited to attend. There's no admission charge.

Eleanor Anderson has resigned as instructor in Art effective Aug. 31.

She resumes grad study. Also, leaving the library staff are Charlotte
Oyer, Alma Myers.

The News Letter of Phi Sigma Iota, the Romance Language Honor Society, had a fine writeup of our Summer Session in Madrid, Spain, in its April issue.

FOR SALE OR LEASE--Large, two-bedroom home at 3867 Lambert by Tillie Manton (the old Frog football star who is moving to Houston). Has den-sunporch, central air-conditioning and heat, much closet and storage space, two-car garage, big back yard, other extras. It is only seven minutes from campus. Arrangements can be made to lease at \$150 or to sell at \$16,250. Call Tillie at WA3-4921 if interested.

Charles Harris III, son of Elvira of Languages, has received a Social Science Research Grant and a NDEA Fulbright for work in Mexico on his doctoral dissertation. He has accepted the Fulbright and moves to Mexico in August with wife Betty and sons Jeff and John.

Cecil Dollar has been chosen faculty vice-president of the Beta Omega chapter of Beta Alpha Psi, national accounting fraternity on campus.