



For achievement in the professional field Phil Flanagan presented the Distinguished Alumni Award to Mrs. Olga Moore Arnold.



The Distinguished Alumni Award for contributions to the field of education was given to Gov. Cliff Hansen by Tom Kidd of Casper.

1964 Distinguished Alumni

Three graduates of the University of Wyoming received Distinguished Alumni Awards at Homecoming this year. They are Governor Clifford Hansen, Mrs. Olga Moore Arnold and John Winterholler.

Mrs. Arnold, who took her degree from the University in 1923, has been an editorial assistant to the director of the United States Information Agency for the past year. Prior to that time she was a writer for USIA on "Amerika Illustrated," the Russian language publication edited for Russian circulation to give citizens of the Iron Curtain country an idea of what life in America is really like.

Born in Buffalo, she is the author of one novel, "Windswept," dealing with life in Wyoming, and a second novel, "I'll Meet You In the Lobby," telling of life in Washington.

The widow of the late Carl Arnold, who was dean of law at the University, she wrote her first novel and a number of short stories published in The Saturday Evening Post, McCalls, Country Gentleman, Cosmopolitan, and Good Housekeeping, during the years she was a housewife. Professor Arnold died in 1941, and since that time she has been a fulltime journalist, doing public relations for Best Foods, writing for the Office of War Information during World War II, and doing writing and public relations for the Marshall Plan, Displaced Persons, and the Reciprocal Trade Act. She has been with the USIA since 1956.

She has served as a Gray Lady for the American Red Cross in Veterans Hospital in Washington, D. C., is a member of the American Newspaper Women's Club, National Women's Press Club, and the Wyoming Press Women.

Clifford Hansen, who took his bachelor's degree in commerce from the University in 1934, was inaugurated as Wyoming's chief executive in 1963. Born in Jackson Hole in 1912 of pioneer parents, Governor Hansen is the owner of a working cattle ranch in Jackson Hole. He became a University trustee in 1946, president of the board in 1955 and was reelected to that post in 1962.

In addition he is a past president of the Wyoming Stock Growers' Association; has served as vice president of the American National Cattlemen's Association; Water Compact Commissioner for Wyoming on the Snake River; Compact Commissioner on the Columbia Interstate Compact Commission; Chairman of the National Livestock Research and Marketing Advisory Committee to the United States Secretary of Agriculture; and a member of the Board of Directors of the Wyoming Development Association. He helped organize the Jackson Chamber of Commerce and has served on the Jackson Hospital Board of Trustees.

Governor and Mrs. Hansen, the former Martha Close, ex '35, have two children, a daughter, Mrs. Peter Mead, and a son, Peter, both of whom graduated from



Art Dalgarno of Lusk presented Johnny Winterholler his Distinguished Alumni Award for achievement in the field of humanities.

the University. He is a member of Masonic bodies, including the Consistory and Shrine.

Winterholler, a Lovell area native, was commissioned a second lieutenant in the U. S. Marine Corps immediately after his graduation from the University in 1940. He served with the Fourth Marine Regiment on Bataan and Corregidor where he won the Silver Star and the Bronze Star V in defense of the Philippines.

Captured by the Japanese, he survived the infamous Bataan Death March and three years in prison camps which left him confined to a wheelchair for life. He was hospitalized at Corona Navy Hospital following his release from the Marines in 1945 and, during his rehabilitation, became prominent on the wheelchair basketball team, "The Rolling Devils," which toured the U. S. in 1947-49. Sparkplug of the team, he retired from the Marine Corps as a colonel.

During his active collegiate athletic career he was voted all-conference football halfback in 1938 and was named all-conference centerfielder in baseball, in 1937, the year he led the league in both batting and homerun averages. He was also an all-conference basketball honorable mention for three years.

Following his release from the naval hospital, Winterholler attended a Los Angeles business college and was licensed in California as an accountant. He is currently office manager for Dr. Gerald Gray, an Oakland plastic surgeon, who gives Winterholler great credit for keeping his practice going.

Winterholler and his wife, Dessa, who attended the University in 1935, have two children, Deborah and Dave. The family resides in Lafayette, Calif., and Johnny goes fishing, duck and deer hunting every fall.

Homecoming Highlights

ONLY THE LOSS OF THE FOOTBALL GAME to New Mexico 17-6 marred an otherwise perfect weekend. The parade, dampened by a few drops of rain and even a flake or two of snow, was still a spectacular triumph. Floats reflected long hours of work on the part of students and presented the judges with a puzzler. It is a well testified fact that the many, many returning alums had the time of their lives.

Winners . . . at the top of the list the queen, Veronika Petres, a candidate from Ross Hall, who ably represented the University in a number of southwestern Wyoming communities during her tour and led the parade with all the savoir-faire of a Miss America . . . grand sweepstakes winner in the parade was Alpha Kappa Lambda, newest fraternity on the campus, with its "After 75 Years," followed closely by Sigma Chi in the men's division . . . first in the women's division went to Kappa Delta for "Steps to Progress," and second to Knight Hall for "Future Outweighs Past." . . . Resident Hall's Cowboy spanking a Lobo took first in the coed division with second going to Newman Club for its "Bridge the Years."

Sing winners among the fraternities were (in order) Sigma Alpha Epsilon; Alpha Tau Omega and Acacia . . . sororities, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Alpha Chi Omega and Delta, Delta . . . independents, Ross Hall, Lambda Delta Sigma and Knight Hall.

Reunions . . . 160 grads, wives, husbands and children from the classes of 1937-41 ate together, told jokes, bent a few elbows and wore out the phrase "Remember when" at the grandest get-together ever at the Connor Hotel . . . Lloyd Taggart with his teaser letters and exuberant personality was the spark plug of this group with John and Dessa Winterholler as the *piece de resistance* . . . the 8:00 o'clock breakfast hour failed to dampen the spirits of a lively group of the class of '54 who held their reunion at the Connor.

Fifty-year grads found many old friends among those at the reception given by President and Mrs. Fey . . . the phrase "Why, you're . . ." echoed over and over again.

Firsts . . . an alumni band, organized under the direction of Robert Noble, played in the parade and surprised listeners with the harmony resulting from one rehearsal . . . "W" Club members started a tradition by holding a reunion Friday night after the Sing, again in honor of John Winterholler.

Personalities . . . seeming to be everywhere and to know everyone was John Winterholler, so mobile his friends forgot he was in a wheelchair, missing most of every meal where he was a guest because so many friends wanted to talk to him . . . ably backed up by his wife Dessa and Lloyd Taggart, his wide grin, strong handclasp and exuberant spirit made him the center of every group . . . Trace Foster, the young-looking '50-year grad, made friends of former strangers and won everyone's heart who met her . . . another 50-year grad, Lucy Taylor, ran Miss Foster a close second for getting around and meeting everyone with a contagious smile and warm handclasp.