Three UW graduates received Distinguished Alumni Awards at Homecoming this year. W. Edwards Deming accepted the scientific award; Frank Norris, Jr. was given the designation in the field of government service; and Jack W. Hamilton received the honor in business and industry.

Deming took his BS degree in engineering at UW in 1921, his MS from the University of Colorado in 1924, and his Ph.D. from Yale in 1928.

A consultant in statistical design and business analysis in Washington, D.C., he is also professor of statistics at the Graduate School of Business Administration of New York University.

His work has taken him to many countries of the world for consultation. He is perhaps best known for his contribution through statistical methods to post-war industry in Japan, where he is credited by the business community for the enviable economic position that Japan holds today. For this work he received from the Emperor of Japan the Second Order Medal of the Sacred Treasure in 1960. The annual Deming prize was instituted in 1950 by top management in Japan to recognize a Japanese company for improved industrial production.

Having worked in Greece, India, Germany, France and Turkey, he was a member of the United Nations Subcommission on Statistical Sampling from 1947 to 1952. He was engaged a year ago by the Inter-American Statistical Institute to lecture and work with industry in Santiago de Chile, Cordoba and Buenos Aires.

He is the author of several books on statistical theory and has published over 140 papers and monographs on a broad range of statistical techniques. He and Mrs. Deming live in Washington, D.C.

Norris has been director of the Wyoming Travel Commission since 1963, and in September, 1970, was selected as "Travel Director of the Year" in a poll of the 50 state travel directors by Resort Management magazine.

A 1950 graduate of UW in journalism, Norris has served as Rocky Mountain Regional Director of the National Association of Travel Organizations (NATO). He was elected second vice president of NATO in 1967 and held that post until NATO merged with Discover America in March, 1969, when he was elected secretary of the new organization.

The Yellowstone Park Company honored Norris in 1967 as the "Man of the Year" in travel in recognition of his contributions to the travel industry.

In 1970 Norris was appointed by U.S. Secretary of Commerce to the 15-member Advisory Board of the United States Travel Service, the only state travel director ever to be appointed to this board.

Under Norris' leadership Wyoming was presented the NATO-Outdoor Life Grand Award Golden Hunting Horn for the outstanding travel promotion program of 1968.

Norris is married to the former Ruth Ann Smith, ex '52, of Thermopolis. The couple has three children:
Charles, a student at UW, and two daughters, Lisa 15 and Julie 14, who reside with their parents in Cheyenne.

Hamilton is president of Amoco Iran Oil Company and in charge of all Iranian operations for his firm. His office is in Tehran.

A 1937 graduate of UW, he joined Stanolind Oil and Gas Company, predecessor to Amoco, shortly after his graduation. He later was transferred to the land department of the company and served in Jackson, Miss.; Tallahassee, Fla.; Shreveport, La.; Oklahoma City, Okla.; Fort Worth, Texas, and Casper. During the last four years of this assignment he was division landman in charge of land operations in the Rocky Mountain Region.

From there he went to Venezuela for two years where, as general manager, he set up the Venezuelan Exploration and Production Subsidiary.

He next was assigned to Iran where he started the Company's operations as managing director of IPAC, a company owned jointly by Amoco and the National Iranian Oil Company. During some six years there he discovered two offshore oil fields in the Persian Gulf. He received the Order of Homoyoun, the highest civilian medal awarded by the Iranian government to foreigners, from the Shah of Iran in recognition of his contributions to the development of the country.

He filled a short assignment in Indonesia, and in 1965 was assigned to the home office in Tulsa as chief landman in charge of the land department covering all operations in the United States and Canada. He took on his second Iranian assignment last spring.

Homecoming

WYOMING'S FIFTIETH HOMEcoming turned out to be one of the more lively fall gatherings of the past half century.

Keyed to the theme "Masques, Music and Murals" the parade featured a variety of ways to defeat the Utah Aggies coordinated with elements of the fine arts. (The theme recognized the recent opening of the Fine Arts Center on campus).

Kappa Sigma fraternity won the best overall float awards, with the Tri Delts taking the women's division, Sigma Alpha Epsilon winning in the men's and the Newman Club taking honors in the co-ed division.

Delta Delta Delta won the sweepstakes award in the sing with Kappa Kappa Gamma and Alpha Tau Omega taking the honors in the sorority and fraternity divisions respectively.

The ninth floor of McIntyre Hall won first place in the house decorations contest.

The class of 1962 observed its 10th anniversary with a dinner and social hour. Those people who were in school in the '20s and early '30s had another good gab session at the Alcove Inn. Besides attending the President's Reception for all 50-year grads, members of the class of 1922 had a fair proportion of their members back for a dinner Saturday night.

As a "Rap Session—Early Style," the old Alumni Reception drew an enthusiastic group.

Left, the Newman Club float, "Christ Works Thru Masques, Music and Murals," won first place in the co-ed division of the Homecoming parade. Above left, the Tri Delts with a "Syncopated Gaiter" won first place in the women's division, and above, Kappa Sigma won overall best float award with the "Dawning of a New Day."