M. Clare Mundell, BS '28, MS 39

As recipient of the UW Medalion Service Award, Dean Emeritus M. Clare Mundell of the UW College of Commerce and Industry is to receive one of the highest honors the University of Wyoming can bestow.

He is a native of Boston, where his father was a carpenter. Mundell entered the University in 1926, and was graduated with a B.A. in 1928, a B.S. in Commerce and Industry in 1929, and an M.S. in Commerce and Industry in 1939.

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The C&I Development Fund was initiated by Dean Mundell. It is a system for soliciting funds from alumni and friends of the college for grants-in-aid to students, supplements for faculty projects and travel.

The Air Force Minuteman Graduate Program at F.E. Warren Air Force Base in Cheyenne offered for the first time a program leading to a Master's degree in Business as an off-campus site.

Dean Mundell organized the College Student Advisory Council which advises the Dean on improving communication among the administration, faculty and students.

In addition, Dean Mundell has been active in a variety of civic and community projects ranging from serving as chairman of the Salvation Army Board, a member of the Board of Trustees of the United Presbyterian Church, to serving as director of the Larimar Chamber of Commerce.

He is a past president of the Western Bankers Association Management Committee of 13 western states, and a past chairman of the State Division of the American Bankers Association.

He has been on the Board of Directors of the First Interstate Bank of Laramie since 1964 and was named executive vice president of the Wyoming Bankers Association in 1972. Upon his retirement in July of this year, he was elected Honorary Vice President of the Wyoming Bankers Association.

The Wyoming Bankers Association is a trade association of which all banks in Wyoming are members. The Association now makes substantial contributions to education in Wyoming via scholarships to the University of Wyoming, discretionary funds to the C&I college, scholarships to the seven community colleges in the state and an annual contribution to the 4-H Foundation. All are a direct result of Dean Mundell's long association with the University.

Mundell has been active in the state's 4-H Foundation and has been honored as past chairman and for his organizational and promotional efforts, leadership and assistance to the 4-H in Wyoming.

It is a rare honor to receive the Medallion Service Award, and Clare Mundell is a rare individual. The University is proud of its graduate that stayed to teach and gave it so much.

James F. Neal, BS '52

Distinguished Alumnus Award

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"I came out to Wyoming from Tennessee on an athletic scholarship — had to play football to go to school in Laramie," recalls attorney James F. Neal.

At the University of Wyoming, as a star blocking back, he further developed those qualities that go into making a winner — the ability to work hard and the courage to attempt the extraordinary.

"An attorney once described by the late Treasurer official Jimmy Hoffa as "the most vicious prosecutor who ever lived," Neal is today senior partner in the law firm of Neal and Harwell in Nashville. The successful prosecution of Jimmy Hoffa, which no one had ever accomplished before him, is just one of his extraordinary achievements.

James Foster Neal began life on September 7, 1929, in Sunnyside, Tennessee. During his academic career at the University of Wyoming, he achieved fame as a star blocking back under coach Bowden Wyatt, another Tennessee.

As many alumni can recall, Bowden Wyatt's teams initiated a football tradition at the University of Wyoming under the leadership of the late President G.D. Humphreys.

Neal graduated with a B.S. degree in education in 1952. Following graduation he joined the U.S. Marine Corps and served in the Korean conflict. He rose to the rank of Captain with the Marines and after discharge, applied for admission to the College of Law at Vanderbilt University.

He received his LL.B. degree from Vanderbilt in 1957, after a distinguished academic career that included being editor-in-chief of the Vanderbilt Law Review and graduating at the very top of his class.

After several years of practice in Washington, D.C., he served under Robert Kennedy as Special Assistant to the Attorney General from 1961 to 1964. It was during this period that Neal successfully prosecuted Jimmy Hoffa.

Following the prosecution of Hoffa, Neal became United States Attorney for the Middle District of Tennessee and served in that position until 1966, when he re-entered the private practice of law.

He has been in the private practice of law from 1966 to the present, although he again served the government in 1973 and 1974 as Associate Special Prosecutor, Watergate Prosecution Team. This case existed in the convictions of Haldeman and Ehrlichman.

Neal went on to represent Field Motor Co. in the controversial reckless homicide case involving their Dino auto-
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MARGARET COE, BA '39
Distinguished Alumn Award

Margaret Coe, born in Cody, Wyoming, was active in the University of Wyoming in 1939 with a BA in psychology and philosophy. Mrs. Coe has dedicated her life to improving the quality of life and culture in Wyoming.

Margaret Coe, BA '39

A quiet humility underlies all the activities in which Margaret "Peg" Coe has been involved.

"I was surprised to be informed that I had been named a Distinguished Alumn, she related. "I had been working on the nominating committee for the award."

Since her graduation from the University of Wyoming in 1939 with a BA in psychology and philosophy, Mrs. Coe has dedicated her life to improving the quality of life and culture in Wyoming.

Born December 25, 1917, in Cody, she is the daughter of Erinn F. and Effie A. Shaw. Her father was the editor and owner of the Cody Enterprise. She is a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority and after graduation worked as a reporter and bookkeeper for the Cody Enterprise and for the Australian Proceedings in Washington, D.C. She was also on the National War Labor Board in San Francisco.

In 1941 she married Henry Coe, son of the industrialist-philanthropist William R. Coe, in San Francisco where Henry was in the Navy. When discharged, they returned to live in Cody.

The William R. Coe Library on the campus of the University of Wyoming and the Coe Foundation, of which Peg Coe is an important part, were named for Mr. and Mrs. Coe. The Coe Foundation founded and continues to support the American Studies Program at UW and on other campuses around the country.

The Coe Foundation and Mrs. Coe contributed generously to the building of the Cathedral Home for Children north of Laramie and have continued to support the facility. Mrs. Coe has served on its advisory committee.

The greatest and most outstanding achievement of Peg for Cody and the state of Wyoming, involves her work with the Buffalo Bill Historical Society. She was elected to the board in 1966 and in 1974 became chairwoman of the board, in which capacity she still serves. Under her leadership, the center has grown from a museum of Buffalo Bill to include the Whitney Gallery of Western Art (one of the outstanding museums of western art in the world), the Winchester Arms Collection which contains the most comprehensive collection of firearms in the world, the Harold McCracker Library, the Freberg Re-
mington Studio, the Plains Indian Museum, and the Boon & Crocker Club's collection of "Heads and Horns."

"My best time is spent at the Buffalo Bill Historical Center," she said. "It is not only an occupation but a hobby."

In 1968, after the death of her husband Henry in 1966, she and her brother, Dick Shaw, purchased the Cody Enterprise which her father had owned and published for many years prior to his death. They made the paper an outstanding publication in Wyoming and sold it to Sage Publishing in 1972.

She has served as a director of the Shoshone First National Bank, president of the Cody Medical Center, and has been active with the Park County Republican Committee in addition to numerous other civic activities.

Mrs. Coe has served as a trustee of the Milliken Rogers Foundation of Tux, New Mexico, and was Rocky Mountain Representative of the Board of the New York Metropolitan in the late 1970s.

She received the Westerner Award of the Old West Trail Foundation in 1980. She was the recipient of the National Secretary of State Gold Medal Award for meritorious service, the first and only Wyoming person to be so recognized, and in 1985 was inducted into the Cowgirl Hall of Fame, one of six women.

She has three married children: Anne Coe Hayes (Mrs. James Hayes), Henry H.R. Coe Jr., and Robert D. Coe II. She is also the proud grandmother of five.

Thanks to Margaret Coe's foresight, dedication and leadership what were once but dreams have become realities for the betterment of life in Wyoming and the country.