

EVANSVILLE FOUNDERS DAY

Evansville Museum of Arts 7:00 p.m.
and Science
Sunset Park

May 26, 1961

Fine Students - All Active Club - Loyal Alumni - Evansville College

Old friends make new ones

Gas Lights Girls

Ruth Ann Gregory

Alumni

Trustees and our Trustees

The Museum

Has been my privilege to see something of education around the world. I think this has helped me to understand our own education system.

Kipling's Statement ??

Let us look at Indiana University and higher education in perspective.

Four Facts:

Rising Populations 1.5 billion in 1900; 2.5 billion in 1950, to 3.5 billion by 1975.

Rising Aspirations

Rising Demand for Education -- Research

The schoolhouse, be it a crude cottage or university campus, is the sign pointing the way to progress. No longer new in geography but now new in hope and promise find in education the means to give reality to their dreams.

Rising Recognition of World-wide Interdependence

These four facts

give a new urgency to the pursuit of knowledge.

Men seek new insights into old disciplines and new wisdom in human relations, science, and technology.

Men seek to create new tools to achieve these insights.

International agencies are created - governments adopt programs.

But the great and manifold effort is made and will continue to be made by the world's great universities. Our government is turning to the university at a sometimes frightening rate. We are urged to step up our research efforts, to broaden our curriculum, to use our staffs to give service in every part of the world.

This new urgency is resulting in an explosion of knowledge -- thus setting up a chain reaction which drives the universities to ever greater effort.

I. I. U. Response

1. To build a University of Distinction -- of such distinction that it will be recognized at home and abroad -- quality has been our goal.

A. To give undergraduate students a superior opportunity

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| Vice president | 1. The preparation of students | |
| for undergraduate | 2. Counseling | |
| development | 3. Group Living |) |
| | 4. Honors Seminar |) Expansion of House Library |
| | 5. Undergraduate Library |) |
| | 6. A vital alive intellectual atmosphere -- Toynbee's lecture. | |

B. Graduate Education and Research - develop our own by building a graduate and research program.

1. Berelson's statement
Quantity but increasing quality -- upper 1%

Leading producer	2. Research output
of Doctors of	3. Upper 1% in this country
Bus. Adm., of	New Ford Grant
Drs. of Music,	Cambridge
M.D.s, Zoology,	The Moscow Graduate student
Genetics,	New Delhi -- Music
Astronomy	Business -- Chemistry -- Haurowitz -- Ehrlich Prize
	Genetics
	The European Press carried stories on the Lilly Library
	gift.

II. Second Response

By assuming a full measure of leadership in building a sound
system of higher education in Indiana

Our constitutional mandate

Wylie and Bryan

An orderly development of plant and staff

Praise for General Assembly -- praise for legislature

10-year plan for state institutions

Opportunity must be available, but not by extravagant proliferation

The Indiana Plan

Geographical distribution - the

Utilization of private colleges

Extension

Its advantages

III. By placing our resources of manpower and know-how at the command
of our Government and its Technical Assistance Program and
building America's prestige abroad

70 countries represented in student body.

Service.

Thailand -- Education and Government

Indonesia -- Government

Our scholars

Pakistan -- Medicine and Education

carry on research

Korea -- Nursing Education

all over the world

Nigeria -- Audio Visual

alumni

Many Resources --

But the greatest of these is the special quality of the devotion of its alumni. This is manifested in many ways.

Last year Time - first in nation in alumni giving for state universities -- The I. U. Foundation.

But we have another example of your large and enthusiastic meeting here tonight---your keen interest in the educational process itself.

You and your achievements are the measure of the university's greatness. We are fortunate to have a group such as you.

The Campus --

Springtime -- animals and wild flowers

Young love blooms

Best campus reunions

New buildings are built -- old buildings change their
function

The beauty of the campus remains and the spirit of the university calls for you to return as often as you can.

On this evening when we celebrate our 141st birthday here, you

may be sure that our Alma Mater, with the wisdom of age and the enthusiasm of a youthful spirit, is facing a decade of unprecedented responsibilities with vigor and confidence.