SECTION 7 - SOME THINGS NEVER CHANGE

This section includes a number of items of interest perhaps demonstrating that despite the continual process of change in higher education, some things are consistent through the years. There are several items relating directly to Grapevine. A January 29, 1959, editorial appeared in the Wyoming Eagle commenting on budget reductions in higher education and demonstrating that fiscal stringency has been around for some some time in higher education. There is a request by Dr. Chambers for Grapevine data from Arkansas, indicating that much of the early Grapevine operation was done by this one person. There is a much more recent letter dated 1974 from Virginia on which appear numerous long division calculations made by Dr. Chambers. Pre-calculator habits are not quickly altered!

There are two items of bibliographic interest. There is a news release about Dr. Chambers which evidently was prepared about 1966. Finally, in tribute to M. M. Chambers the front page of the November-December 1985 <u>Grapevine</u> contained a brief summary of his distinguished professional career.

Editorial in Wyoming Eagle, Cheyenne, January 29, 1959

No Wolf Cry

University of Wyoming President Dr. G.D. Humphrey is not crying wolf or trying to back anyone into a corner when he warns that proposed reductions in the university's recommended budget for the next biennium would lead to "dire consequences."

Cold facts and figures support his contention that the proposed cut of \$1,500,000 would necessitate increasing student fees, limiting enrollment, reducing staff and other general curtailment.

Substantial increases in enrollment, which have approximated 10 per cent each year in recent years and which will at least maintain that level for the next few years, is the major factor in the request for a larger state appropriation this year. At the same time, enrollment at the state's four junior and community colleges has increased above the 10 per cent level.

Dr. Humphrey also points out that during the past 18 months 34 faculty members have left the University of Wyoming for higher salaries and for no other reason.

Offers of increases in salary were received by 55 others. Unless funds to effect salary raises are forthcoming, it appears obvious the university will more than ever be a hunting ground for other institutions seeking people with advanced degrees.

Nearly everyone is congizant of the staggering problems of finance facing all levels of government; most certainly the university president is. Dr. Humphrey, however, would be remiss in his duties if he did not point out the consequences certain to occur if the university budget suffers a drastic reduction.

It would be highly inconsistent on the part of the legislature to curtail university services on the one hand while on the other encouraging increasing numbers of students through establishment of a state scholarship program.

Wyomingites are justly proud of their only four-year institution of higher learning and have watched its development and growth in the last decade with increasing pride. Any move now to curtail that development would be a tragic waste.

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July 31, 1964,

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Attached is a small tabulation which you will recognize as representing your state. Will you be good enough to look over this and let me know if you notice any substantial error?

Especially would I like to know if any supplementary appropriations, or any withholding of appropriated funds, or other similar occurrence within the past year may have substantially changed the picture.

Also enclosed are two pink sheets containing a 50-state summary for fiscal year 1964-65 and earlier years. Would you please look at the line for your state and advise me if you think any important change or correction is necessary?

As you know, I am under pressure to verify the tabulations as promptly as possible, and make them available for timely circulation.

This requires me to proceed with almost journalistic speed, and to disregard cavalierly any very minor or negligible discrepancies; but I am anxious to make my approximations come reasonably close to exact representations of the truth.

I am grateful for your kind cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

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April 11, 1974

Mr. M. M. Chambers
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Dear Mr. Chambers:

Enclosed is a summary of the appropriations for the 1974–76 Biennium as passed by the 1974 session of the General Assembly for the institutions and agencies comprising the system of higher education for Virginia.

Also enclosed is a summary of other legislative actions related to higher education which may be of interest to you.

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November 10, 1961

Mr. M. M. Chambers, Executive Director Michigan Council of State College Presidents 705 Stoddard Building Lansing 23, Michigan

Dear Mr. Chambers:

Once again I am stimulated to write you by the very fine releases which you send out, and by the excellent way in which you are taking hold of your job.

Certainly the weight and influence which you can exercise in your present capacity can go a very long way toward converting what has been an unsatisfactory situation in the Legislature, into a satisfactory one. My sincere congratulations.

Sincerely yours,

Eugene B. Power

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