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ARTS AND SCIENCE WEEK

A relatively new campus event is the annual observance of Arts and Science Week, which each year has gained in programming significance. The 1956 activities, held in December, presented an impressive array of educators in lecturing roles. Demonstrations and exhibits featured the importance of the sciences, the fine arts, and the humanities. The observance also saw the inaugurual of a feature to be continued each year—the presentation of the Alumni Association's Citation of Merit to distinguished graduates of the College of Arts and Science.

The three 1956 recipients, honored at the Arts and Science Banquet, were Mrs. Elizabeth McReynolds Rozier, Jefferson City; Blevins Davis, Independence; and O. Hobart Mowrer, University of Illinois.

Mrs. Rozier, '29, was cited for distinguished public leadership in her own community and in the state. She was secretary and chief clerk of the Missouri State Eleemosynary Board from 1937 to 1941. She served on the Missouri Library Commission from 1945 until she voluntarily retired in 1956. Mrs. Rozier was president of the Commission from 1945 to 1949. Many advances in public library service were achieved while she was connected with the Commission. Mrs. Rozier has also been a prominent member of the Jefferson City Public Library Board and is active in other civic affairs. She is a native of Carthage, Mo. Her father, Allen McReynolds, A. B. '01, LL. D. '54, was a leading member of the Board of Curators.

Mr. Davis, '25, well known American stage producer, spends much time abroad in the interest of cultural relations between the United States and other countries. For ten years he has been president of the Governing Board of the Ballet Theatre, the most

famous ballet company in this country, which has made three extensive tours of Europe, the Middle East, Latin and South America. Mr. Davis produced the first all-American presentation of "Hamlet" at Elsinor Castle, Denmark. He co-produced "Porgy and Bess," which won acclaim in all the great opera houses of Europe, England, South America, and behind the Iron Curtain in satellite countries, in Moscow and Leningrad.

Dr. Mowrer, '31, is widely recognized by psychologists for his creative leadership in research and administration. After serving at Northwestern, Yale, Princeton, and Harvard, he went to the University of Illinois in 1948 as Research Professor. For a number of years he has produced sound, significant, and influential research in the subjects of personality dynamics, learning theory, and clinical psychology. He has written all or parts of eight books, including his well-known text on Psychotherapy. Dr. Mowrer has been equally active in the administrative and professional affairs of the American Psychological Association, which he served as president in 1953-54.

Arts and Science Week speakers included Dr. Norbert Wiener, master mathematician and professor at M.I.T.; Dr. William V. Houston, president, Rice Institute; Dr. Fred M. Bullard, professor of geology, University of Texas; Dr. Lily Ross Taylor, former dean of Bryn Mawr; Dr. Walter Starkie, eminent British Hispanist; Dr. Paul R. Burkholder, director of research, Brooklyn Botanical Gardens; and Dr. H. W. Mossman, professor of anatomy, University of Wisconsin. Dr. Burkholder is a former member of the M. U. faculty. Dr. Wiener was born in Columbia when his father was a member of the faculty.