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FORTUNE MAGAZINE FOR NOVEMBER -- GVSC is featured as one of five new college campuses in the country in the November Fortune ... chosen because the superior architecture and design seem best to anticipate the kind of educational world it will serve. The page devoted to Grand Valley, titled "Self-Reliance near Grand Rapids," shows a view in color of Lake Michigan Hall and a drawing of the campus plan.

GVSC is also featured in the October bulletin of the Michigan Society of Architects ... a cover photo and a five-page article with pictures, drawings, and text.

<u>PLANS FOR DORMS</u> -- Architects and site planners met in late October to present a plan for location of the first on-campus dormitories. These dorms will be co-ed ... a wing for men students, another for women ... and are scheduled for the fall of 1966.

APPLICATIONS FOR '65 -- At present, applications for next year's freshman class are coming in at a rate five times that of a year ago ... showing the increased interest in GVSC in the community ... and the advisability of applying early. Some 15% of these early applications come from beyond the 8-county area considered as GVSC's home territory.

REQUEST FOR A FIELD HOUSE -- Next year's capital budget request ... now being considered in Lansing ... puts first priority on a physical education building with swimming pool. The facility would have room for basketball, indoor track, tennis, gymastics and wrestling ... beside the swimming and diving area. Outdoor playing fields are also planned for track, football, soccer, field hockey and tennis.

CITIZENS' COUNCIL MEETING -- The annual meeting of the GVSC Citizens' Council was held October 30 ... where these honorary alumni heard President Zumberge ... CC chairman David Dutcher ... and board of control chairman L. William Seidman ... toured the campus and met for coffee in the Seidman House after the program.

NCA ACCREDITATION -- On November 24 and 25 a four-man team from the North Central Association will pay a visit to GVSC to pass upon the qualifications of the college to be a candidate for accreditation. Examiners are William S. Carlson, president of the University of Toledo; Dr. Donald B. Johnson, chairman of the department of political science of the State University of Iowa; Edwin Young, Dean of the College of Letters and Sciences, University of Wisconsin, and Dr. Robert S. Bader, vice-chairman of the department of zoology, University of Illinois.

In preparation for this diagnostic examination, GVSC has completed



a series of reports covering such subjects as its academic program, facilities, faculty, students, and student activities.

If GVSC makes this first hurdle, two years from now it can become eligible for final accreditation.

SPEAKING OF STUDENT ACTIVITIES -- Clubs are going full steam ahead ... the Ski Club has scheduled two weekend excursions to ski resorts in western Michigan for its members ... Les Visages plans to present a three-act play during the winter quarter and a one-act play for next spring's Arts on Campus weekend ... a new French Club is being organized by Miss Lauberte ... and the Cinema Guild wishes to extend its membership to Citizens' Council members and other interested residents of the area. Next performance ... of "The Seven Deadly Sins" ... goes on November 18th.

The student assembly is sponsoring a trip to the MSU-Purdue football game November 7 ... with a dance at GVSC when the bus returns ... and has designated December 12 ... the Saturday after fall quarter exams ... as the date of the GVSC winter formal. On November 11 elections will be held to select five freshmen members of the student assembly ... to join with the ten sophomore members as the student governing body.

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY -- Book count is up to 25,000 ... library hours have been extended to 8 p.m. on week nights ... director of libraries Stephen Ford was host last month to a meeting of the Council of State College and University Head Librarians. Tuesdays and Thursdays the electronically equipped carrels are held for French and Spanish students .. who are assigned times to practice their pronunciation with an instructor as monitor. German classes pick their own times ... but must put in two hours a week.

WINTER SPORTS -- Skiing, swimming, bowling, and square and social dancing will be elective courses in phys ed during the winter quarter. Skiiers report to the GVSC ski hill ... swimmers to the Husdonville High School pool ... and bowlers to the Grand Valley Alleys just west of the campus on M-50. Intramurals are being planned in basketball, table tennis, bowling, and skiing.

LANSING MEETING -- The Second Annual Conference on Higher Education ... in Lansing on November 12 and 13 ... will see Dean Potter, Dean Hills, Mr. Ford, and Professors Chamberlain, Jellema, and Hall representing GVSC. Purpose of the meeting is to discuss problems of higher education in Michigan ... and the chance to meet with the Governor's blue ribbon committee on higher education and the new members of the State Board of Education.

ART EXHIBIT -- This month ... until November 20 ... the paintings of Armand Merizon are on display in the Seidman House. Merizon, a well-known Grand Rapids artist and member of the Grand Valley Artists group, will lead an informal discussion on his exhibited works at noon on November 20. From November 23 to December 11 the paintings of Mrs. Joy Walsh of Holland will be featured.