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VITA/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Educational Background: (All at the University of Alberta)

B.Sc. (Home Economics) ----- 1940
B.Ed. ----- 1944
M.Ed. (Education-Administration) ----- 1960
PhD. (Elementary Education -Reading)---- 1966

Professional Experience: (Alberta, Ethiopia, Niger, Bénin, Burkina Faso)

1. Elementary, junior and senior high schools:
 - Jr. and Sen.High Schools - Alberta - 1941-46
 - Jr. and Sen. High Schools - Ethiopia - 1948-51
 - Elementary School - Ethiopia - 1951-52
 - Elementary School - Alberta - 1959-61
2. Supervised and coordinated school work in private school system in Ethiopia - 1953-57
3. Sessional Instructor - University of Alberta - 1961-63
4. Lecturer - University of Alberta - 1964-65
5. Organizer, Uganda Primary Teachers Pilot Project -University of Alberta - 1964-66
6. Professor, - University of Alberta - 1965-85
7. Education Coordinator -Private Schools of SIM International in Niger, Bénin, Burkina Faso - 1988-93

Offices and Professional Committee Appointments:

1. Director, Board of Directors --- International Reading Assoc.(IRA) 1977-80
2. President, Edmonton and District Local Council - IRA -1967-68
3. President, Northern Alberta Reading Specialists Council, IRA 1982-83
4. Chairman and Member of 14 IRA Committees for IRA International 1967-74- listing attached
4. Member, Committee on Reading and Literature, Department of Education Government of Province of Alberta - 1966-70
5. At the University of Alberta,

- Senate, U. of A.- 1977-79
- Faculty of Education Representative on General Faculties Council - 1976-79
- Executive Committee, Faculty of Education - 1969-71
- Economic Benefits Committee, Staff Assoc. of U.of A Academic Staff - 1972-1985

Awards:

Outstanding Dissertation of the Year Award - International Reading Association - 1967

Publications:

Canadian Edition of "Be A Better Reader" by Nila Banton Smith
with Mariod D. Jenkinson and Phyllis Sutherland (Books 1-4 incl)

In Conference Proceedings of IRA and various organizations of IRA in Canada.

I have spoken in 8 of 10 provinces in Canada.

Committee Appointments - International Reading Association

1. Member and Chairman - Research Awards Committee 1967-71
2. General Chairman, Citation and Awards Committee 1970-75
3. Member, Comparative Reading Committee 1976-78
4. Alberta Coordinator on Canadian Membership and Organization Committee 1972-74
5. General Chairman, Membership and Organization Committee 1975-77
6. Transmountain Region Representative on Regional Conferences Committee 1973-76
and
Chairman of Transmountain Regional Conferences Program Committee 1973-76
7. Chairman, Bylaws Committee 1980-82
8. Member, Long Range Planning Committee 1981-83
9. Member, Nominating Committee 1983
10. Chairman, Ad Hoc Committee on Canadian Concerns 1978-80
11. Member, Committee to Select Editors for Reading Research Quarterly 1978
12. Member, Association of American Publishers/IRA Liaison Committee 1973-74
13. Member, Nomination and Election Procedures Committee 1974-76
14. Member, International Book Year Committee of UNESCO-IRA rep. 1973-74