

Academy Of Art Grants Diplomas

Twenty-eight students from 10 states, Hawaii, Japan, Finland, and the Philippine Islands have been granted degrees at an Honors Convocation at Cranbrook Academy of Art.

Those receiving master of architecture degrees were Carlos Banaag, Francisco Nakpill and Humberto Solis, from the Philippines; Thomas Blaska and Meiton Gassman, Michigan; Fumihiko Maki, Japan; and Margaret Hobbs Shook, Alabama.

Recipients of master of fine arts degrees include: Henrik Langbehn, Finland; Anna Kang and Ernestine Mural, Hawaii; Winifred Clark, James Black and Stephen Polchert, Wisconsin; Frederick Biehle and William Green, Ohio; Lawrence Bernstein and Alan Kleiman, New York; Arthur Zacharias, Massachusetts; Gilbert Hall, Utah; James Clark, Connecticut; Barbara Balthuser, North Dakota; James McCormick, Pontiac; Ernest Toth, Melvindale; and William Allen, Detroit.

John Sandlin, Louisiana; Richard Wingate, Illinois and Regina Yanich, Detroit, received bachelor of arts degrees.

University of Michigan, was an employee of the Western Electric Company, the Bell System's manufacturing and supply unit, before joining Michigan Bell as a commercial student. In 1942, he went into the Air Force and served throughout World War II in the Central Pacific as a navigator-bombardier.

Returning from military duty in 1946, Esler was made commercial manager in the company's Walnut district in Detroit. After three years in that assignment, he was promoted to general commercial training supervisor. He was named to head the Ann Arbor district in 1952.



C. K. ESLER



P. T. SMITH

2 Michigan Bell Co. Executives Promoted

Two Michigan Bell Telephone Company executives, residents of Birmingham, took over new assignments last week in the company's commercial department.

Paul T. Smith, Sr., of 6305 Brookdale, formerly general commercial supervisor, was named commercial customer information manager, and succeeding Smith is Charles K. Esler, of 1617 Penitence, who has been head of the company's commercial staff in the Ann Arbor district.

Smith, a graduate of the University of Michigan, has 33 years' service with Michigan Bell. After assignments in the commercial department at Kalamazoo and Grand

Rapids, Smith returned to Detroit where he joined the company to become general commercial personnel supervisor.

In 1945 Smith left the commercial department for five years to be in charge of public and employee information as general information manager. He was appointed general commercial supervisor in 1950 to take charge of staff functions.

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