

## Partially Clearing . . .

... weather is forecast for the inaugural ceremonies this afternoon. Scattered showers are also predicted, with a high temperature of 65 degrees and a low of 43. Monday's high temperature was 70 degrees, with the low 45.

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## O. Meredith Wilson



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President O. Meredith Wilson, who will be inaugurated today, is the ninth president in the University's 82 year history. Although he is being inaugurated today, Wilson actually took over the duties of president last March.

Wilson left a job as secretary of the Fund for the Advancement of Education, a program of the Ford Foundation after he was unanimously elected to the office of president by the state board last October 27. He replaced Harry K. Newburn who resigned the presidency to head a Ford Foundation agency in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

The position of presidency is primarily administrative duties but the state board recognized his capabilities as a teacher when Wilson's appointment also carried the position of professor of history.

### Specialized in History

Wilson's academic study was done in history with emphasis on American history. He specialized in colonial history. A graduate of Brigham Young university in 1934, Wilson did graduate study at the University of Heidelberg, Germany, and the University of London.

At London he studied English history, concentrating on that of the Tudor period. Wilson's Ph.D. degree was awarded at the University of California in 1943. His doctoral thesis was done on the Denver and Rio Grande railroad, a study of its historical and economic factors.

Wilson returned to Brigham Young university to begin his professional career as an assistant professor of history. He was later an associate professor at the University of Chicago and he

held a professorship at the University of Utah. His last academic position before joining the Ford Foundation was dean of Utah's school of arts and sciences from 1947 to 1948.

### Job to Reshape Program

In this position he gained valuable experience as an administrator. His job was to reshape the general studies program and to integrate more closely the various curricula of the social science field.

The 44-year-old educator's last job before assuming presidency was with the Ford Foundation agency responsible for the improvement of education through external financial means. The focus of the program was to improve the quality of education.

Wilson first appeared before the student body last March 31. Here he stressed the duties of the University. Among them he listed to honor the intellect and to clarify the issues of the day. Wilson believes that a state university is an educational agency for the entire state and in this capacity should do the most important things that can be done by it.

### Father of Six

Wilson is a member of the Mormon church. He lives with his wife and six children in the official president's residence at 2315 McMorran street.

The president has been a member of many committees in his academic career. Among them are the Western Interstate commission of higher education and the educational committee of the Aspen Institute for Humanistic studies. He is presently a member of the American Historical society and Phi Beta Kappa.

The office of president pays a salary of \$14,000 and \$1500 for expenses.

## Processional to Precede Inauguration Ceremonies For Ninth UO President

O. Meredith Wilson will be inaugurated as ninth president of the University today at 2 p.m. in McArthur court in conjunction with the first University Charter Day.

Wilson, who was appointed to the presidency in October 1953, will be inaugurated by Charles D. Byrne, chancellor of the state system of higher education. Preceding the inauguration ceremonies will be an academic processional from Fenton hall to McArthur court. All 2 and 3 o'clock classes have been cancelled so that students may attend the ceremonies.

Clarence H. Faust, president of the Ford Foundation Fund for the Advancement of Education, will deliver the inaugural address on "Universities and the Life of Reason," immediately following the inauguration.

Charter Day registration of guests and alumni to the campus for the occasion continues until 2 p.m. today on the second floor of the Student Union.

### Afternoon Reception Planned

A reception for President and Mrs. Wilson is scheduled for this afternoon at 4 p.m. in Gerlinger lounge. The event is given by the

Faculty Women's club and also is open to students.

The Alumni association Charter Day dinner is the concluding event of the day. Zechariah Chafee, professor of law from Harvard university, will speak at the dinner on the topic, "If the Salt has Lost Its Savor." Admission to the dinner is by reservation for alumni only. Chafee also will speak at 8 p.m. in McArthur court.

### Scientist Speaks to Audience

Julian Huxley, famed English biologist, spoke to a Charter Day audience this morning. Huxley spoke on "The Bearing of Scientific Knowledge on Belief in a Free Society."

First event of Charter Day was a concert Monday by the Griller String quartet, now in residence at the University of California.

"The University's Responsibility in the Tradition of Freedom" has been the theme of this year's Charter Day. Charter Day will become an annual campus event, according to William C. Jones, dean of administration.

## Foundation Director To Discuss 'Reason'

Clarence H. Faust, president of Ford Foundation Fund for the advancement of education, will speak directly following the inauguration of President O. Meredith Wilson today.

Faust's topic is "Universities and the Life of Reason." The inauguration and speech will be in McArthur court at 2 p.m.

A graduate of North Central college, Naperville, Ill., and an ordained Evangelical minister, Faust also holds an M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. He has taught at the University of Chicago, Stanford university and the University of Arkansas. He became a full professor and was appointed dean of the graduate library school at the University of Chicago in 1941.

In 1950 Faust was appointed

head of the fund for advancement of education by the Ford Foundation and was made president in 1951.

The 53-year-old Faust has co-authored three books. One of these is "Jonathan Edward," published in 1935.

## Charter Day Events

- 2-3:30 p.m. Academic processional, moving from Fenton hall to McArthur court.
- Inauguration of President O. Meredith Wilson, McArthur court.
- Speech by Clarence H. Faust, McArthur court.
- 4 p.m. Reception for President and Mrs. Wilson, Gerlinger lounge.
- 6 p.m. Alumni association dinner, Student Union ballroom.
- 8 p.m. Speech by Zechariah Chafee, McArthur court.

## Performance Gets Standing Ovation

A standing ovation by more than 800 persons greeted Composer Ernest Bloch Monday night as the Griller String quartet opened the Charter Day celebration in the Student Union ballroom.

Bloch, noted Swiss-born composer who now lives in Oregon, was introduced at the conclusion of the first Pacific Coast presentation of his Quartet No. 4. Bloch, who is 74 years old, now lives at Agate Beach, where he devotes his time to music.

Bloch's work was one of three presented by the quartet. The Griller String quartet is in residence at the University of California. Its members are Sidney Griller, first violin; Jack O'Brien, second violin; Philip Burton, viola, and Colin Hampton, violincello.

Other works performed in the Monday night concert were Mozart's Quartet in D minor and Beethoven's Quartet in E flat, Opus 127.

## Chafee to Give Evening Talk

Zechariah Chafee, Harvard law professor, will address delegates to Oregon's Charter Day ceremonies at 8 p.m. tonight in the Student Union ballroom.

"If the Salt Has Lost Its Savor . . ." will be the topic of Chafee's address.

The 69-year-old Chafee has

been a professor of law at Harvard university since 1919. He began teaching there in 1916.

He is the author of more than 20 books, his latest being "How Human Rights Got Into the Constitution," published in 1952. His other books include "Freedom of Speech," "The Inquiring Mind," "Free Speech in the United States," and "Government and Mass Communications."

At the present time, Chafee is chairman of the board of directors of the Builders Iron Foundry in Massachusetts. In 1948, he was the United States' delegate to the UN Geneva conference and has been a member of the UN committee on Freedom of Information and the Press since 1947.

He is also a member of the American Bar association, Phi Beta Kappa and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

He was graduated from Brown university with a bachelor of arts degree. He also holds a bachelor of laws degree from the Harvard law school and a doctor of laws degree from St. Johns university in Brooklyn.

Tonight's address will be made in conjunction with the Alumni association Charter Day dinner, which is by invitation only. The address following the dinner, however, is open to the public.



ZECHARIAH CHAFEE  
Harvard Law Professor

## Higher Education Institutions Represented

Delegates from nearly 250 American colleges and universities and 64 social and learned societies and fraternities are attending today's Charter Day and Inauguration ceremonies, according to a list released by the office of O. Meredith Wilson, University president.

Among the colleges and uni-

versities represented on campus today are Harvard, William and Mary, Yale, Princeton, Washington and Lee, Rutgers, and Dartmouth.

Harvard is the oldest institution of higher learning represented, and Fuller Theological Seminary, established in 1947, is the newest.

Also represented will be the

United Chapters of Phi Beta Kappa, the oldest college fraternity in the United States. In addition to social fraternities and sororities, such societies as the Association of American Rhodes Scholars, the Mathematical Association of America, and the American Association of School Administrators have representatives present.