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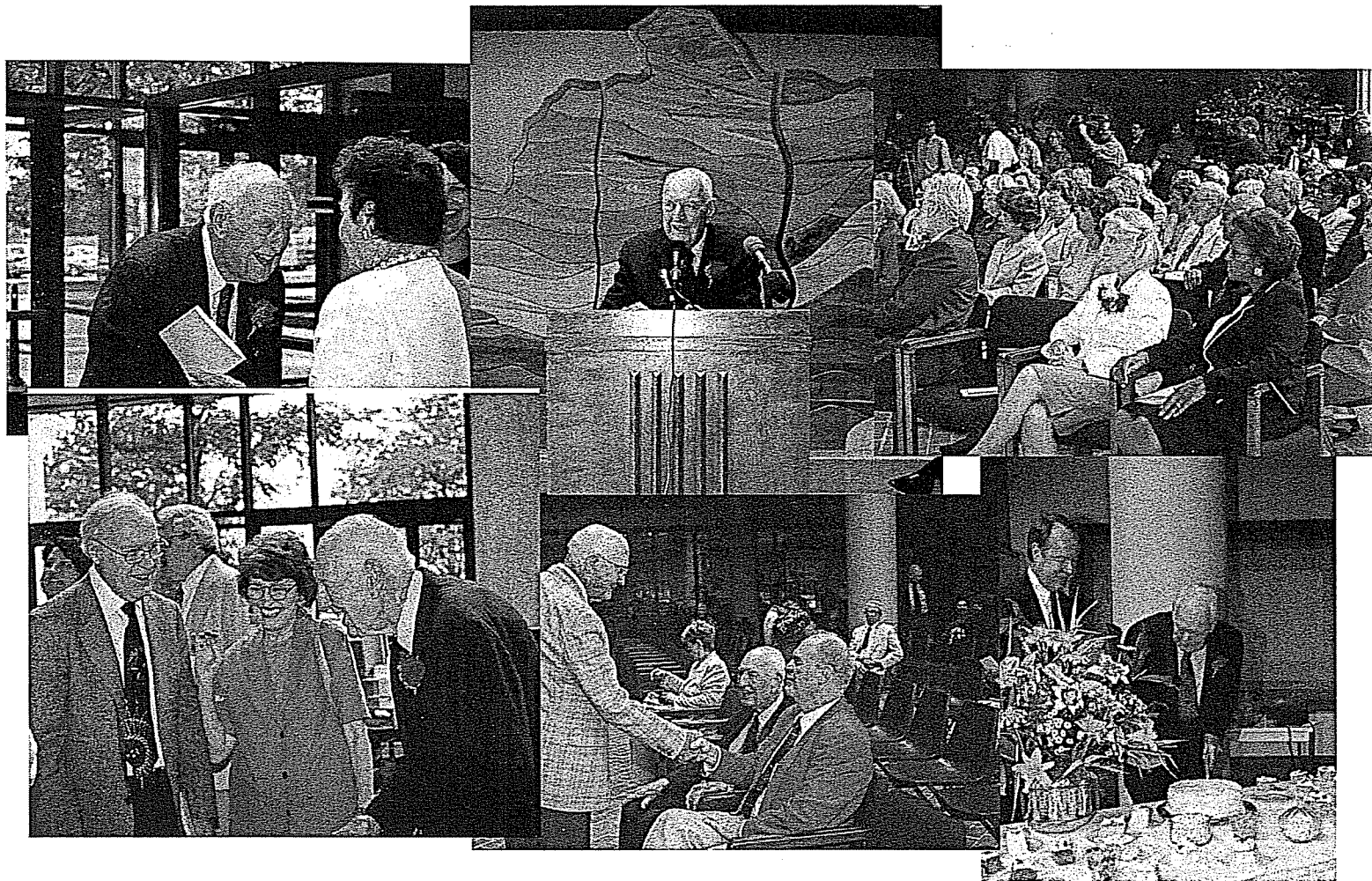
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Happy Birthday, Dr. Clark!

Kentucky's Historian Laureate, Dr. Thomas D. Clark, widely recognized as the "father of Kentucky's State Archives," received birthday greetings from Auditor of Public Accounts Edward B. Hatchett, Jr., on the occasion of a reception in Dr.

Clark's honor at the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives, July 11, 2003. Looking on is Barbara Teague, Manager of the Archival Services Branch of the department's Public Records Division. On this occasion, the department underscored Dr. Clark's involvement with every aspect of the department's development by naming its new digital services facility the **Thomas D. Clark Center for Digital Imaging**.



KDLA Hosts Birthday Reception for Dr. Clark

More than 200 guests gathered July 11th in the lobby of the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives (KDLA) to honor Dr. Thomas D. Clark on the occasion of his 100th birthday. Clark, a tireless advocate and supporter of Kentucky's state archival program over eight decades, is a long time member and one time chair of the State Archives and Records Commission and was the principal backer of the construction of the current KDLA building. Clockwise from left, Dr. Clark greets a guest at the reception; Dr. Clark addresses attendees, notes how far the state has come with its archival program, and emphasizes the new initiatives which must be pursued, including construction of an archival facility expansion to the current building; reception guests listen to Dr. Clark's remarks; KDLA Commissioner James A. Nelson joins Dr. Clark in the cutting of a cocoanut cream birthday cake (his favorite); former Friends of Kentucky Public Archives presidents Cecil Goode, of Glasgow, and Dr. William E. Ellis, of Richmond, exchange greetings as Dr. Clark looks on; and Dr. Clark greets Pat Hodges, Friends Board member and Coordinator of Manuscripts and Archives, Kentucky Library, Western Kentucky University, and her husband.

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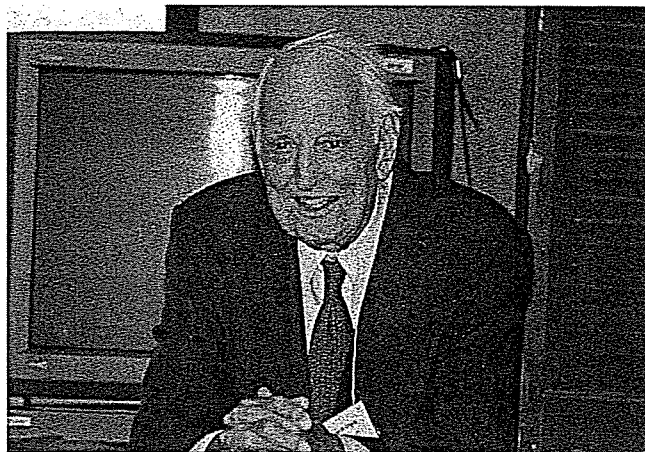
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Frankfort hosts 17th annual Midwest Micrographics Conference

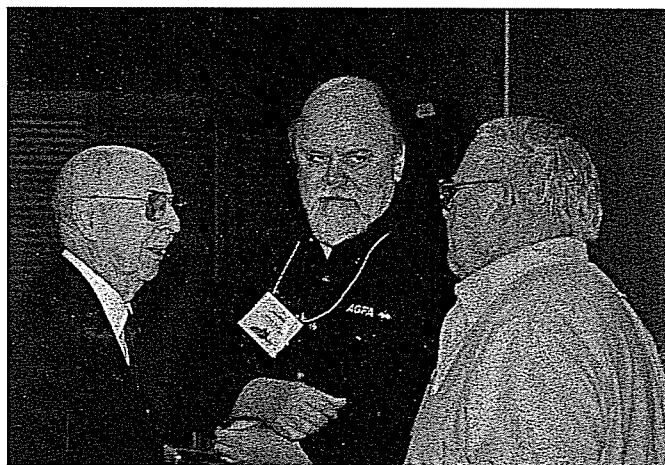
Seventy participants from 16 states and the District of Columbia took part in the 17th annual Midwest Micrographics Conference (MMC), September 15-17, 2003. The yearly event, hosted by participating states on a rotating basis, was sponsored this year by the Micrographics Branch of KDLA's Public Records Division. The Conference brings together personnel from state archival programs who are involved in micrographics and imaging operations, together with consultants and industry specialists in this field.

Attendees from as far away as Washington, Louisiana, South Carolina, Pennsylvania, California, and Minnesota gave a new meaning to the term "Midwest" and enjoyed sessions on such topics as disaster recovery and vinegar syndrome, quality control, film or imaging: exclusion or coexistence, and "truth lies, and omissions" about imaging. In addition, those present also heard program updates from the participating states, where information was exchanged about program developments, alternative approaches, and new techniques. Attending the Conference gives each state an opportunity to showcase the different processes they use to capture images and to discuss techniques that may enhance their respective operations. Plans are already underway for the 2004 meeting, which will be held in Springfield, Illinois.



Top: A special highlight of the 17th MMC was the keynote address of Kentucky Historian Laureate Dr. Thomas D. Clark, who spoke on the "true value of preserving archival records."

Bottom: MMC participants, left to right, Bill Thomas, of Micro D (Minnesota), John Glover, of Agfa Microfilm Products/MDS/Sourcecrop (California), and Dick Graves, of Federal-State Surplus (Indiana) took advantage of a break between sessions to discuss developments in the field.



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Kentucky law required all motor vehicles to be equipped with suitable and efficient mufflers. Here, two Kentucky State Police officers take this statute to heart as they conduct an inspection of the muffler on a 1923 Ford while the owner looks on. *(This photograph is from the Department of Public Information Collection of the State Archives holdings, in the Public Records Division, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives.)*

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