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Curtailment policy established

A policy statement dealing with possible curtailment of university operations during future weather, energy or other crises has been announced by President Robert B. Hayes.

The policy was developed as a result of weather-energy problems which plagued the university during the past two winters. It outlines three levels of curtailed operations based on the severity of situations which may occur in future years.

The complete policy statement appears on Page 3 of this edition of the News Letter. It is suggested that it be clipped and posted in the various campus offices. Copies also will be posted on bulletin boards throughout the campus and the

policy will be included in the next editions of the University Catalog and the Green Book.

The policy statement points out the fact that while university operations may be curtailed at various levels in emergency situations, the campus is never completely "closed." If critical situations arise in the future, public announcements of curtailed operations will include the level of curtailment. Such announcements will be made to the news media by the Office of University Relations.

Marshall was forced to curtail operations for several days during the winter of 1976-77 as a result of natural gas shortages. A major snowstorm resulted in a one-day curtailment during the winter of 1977-78.

Dr. Allen named School of Nursing dean

A leading New England nursing educator and administrator has been named dean of the Marshall University School of Nursing, Dr. Robert W. Coon, MU vice president for health sciences, has announced.

Dr. Virginia O. Allen, currently an associate professor of nursing and head of the University of Vermont School of Nursing's two-year associate degree program at Burlington, will assume her duties here in July with the rank of professor.

As dean of the MU School of Nursing, Dr. Allen will be in charge of the associate and baccalaureate degree nursing

education programs and will be responsible to the vice president for health sciences.

A member of the University of Vermont faculty since 1968, Dr. Allen not only established that school's associate degree in nursing program, but is credited with establishing New England's first two-year associate degree program at Newton Junior College, Newtonville, Mass., in the early 1960s.

Dr. Allen earned her Nursing Diploma from Monmouth Medical Center School of Nursing, Long Branch, N.J.; her B.S. degree in nursing from Seton Hall University, Newark, N.J., and her Master of Arts degree in nursing education and administration from Columbia University. She recently received her Doctor of Education degree with emphasis in nursing education, curriculum and instruction from Columbia.

She also has served as a consultant for two-year nursing education programs in seven states; to state Education Departments in Maine and Connecticut; to the Nursing Division of the United States Public Health Service; the New England Board of Higher Education and the Southern Regional Education Board.

A contributor to nursing education publications, Dr. Allen is a member of numerous professional organizations and has held several national chairmanships with the National League for Nursing.

Marshall to co-host conference on gifted

School administrators and school board members from six Southern West Virginia counties will participate in a conference on "Administrative Techniques and Programs for the Gifted" at Marshall University Thursday and Friday, April 6-7.

The two-day meeting is sponsored jointly by the Region II Regional Education Service Agency (RESA), the Marshall Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa education honorary, the West Virginia State Department of Education and the Marshall University Foundation.

The conference program has been developed to assist participants in developing and implementing programs for the gifted; in identifying the gifted, and in recognizing materials appropriate for gifted students, according to Dr. Jack Maynard, president of the Marshall Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa and assistant dean of the College of Education.

The conference will open at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 6, with a banquet in Memorial Student Center with Dr. Dorothy Sisk, director of the Office of Gifted and Talented, U.S. Office of Education, as keynote speaker. A reception at the Uptowner Inn will follow the banquet program.

Marshall personnel taking part in the sessions include Dr. George Schena, associate professor of education, and Dr. James Harless, admissions director.

Planning coordinators for the conference are Dr. David Koontz, associate professor of education, and Ted Triplett, special education director for RESA II.

Typewriter requisitions

The next scheduled purchase for typewriters is April 13, according to Dorothy Smith, Marshall purchasing agent. Requisitions must be in the Purchasing Office no later than April 10.

Under the current specifications, you may or may not obtain a fixed carriage, Mrs. Smith said. However, if this is a definite requirement, a letter of justification may be attached to the requisition.

If there is no trade-in, the reason for purchasing additional typewriters must be given. The requisition must also include the disposition of old units where a trade-in is not listed and the typewriter is not for a new employee.

Concerts, lecture scheduled next week

The Marshall University Choral Union and Orchestra will present Mendelssohn's oratorio, "St. Paul," at 8 p.m. Sunday and Monday, April 2-3, in Smith Recital Hall.

The two performances will be free and open to the public, according to Dr. Paul A. Balshaw, MU professor of music and Choral Union director.

Huntington baritone Ed Harkless will be featured in the title role.

Also appearing as soloists will be Kimberly Vineyard, Spencer sophomore, soprano; Catherine Schoew, Huntington graduate, mezzo-soprano; J. Allen Whitesides, Huntington junior, tenor; Bill Glover, Huntington sophomore, tenor, and Rick Woods, Huntington junior, baritone.

Completed in 1836 as Mendelssohn's first major oratorio, "St. Paul" contains much beautiful and highly dramatic music, Balshaw said.

MET OPERA STAR

The Marshall Artists Series' Baxter Series will close its 1977-78 season with a concert by Metropolitan Opera star Marilyn Horne at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 4, at the Keith-Albee Theater.

Tickets may be purchased from the Kenney Music Company or from the Marshall University Music Department office. On

Broadcasting students to hear TV executive

Stephen K. Nenko, an ABC television network executive, will visit Marshall University April 10-11 as broadcaster-in-residence for the Speech Department.

Nenko, director of program administration for ABC Entertainment, will spend the two days on campus talking with broadcasting students about the field and its career opportunities.

The broadcaster-in-residence program is funded by the Distinguished Lectureship Series of the Marshall Foundation.

At ABC Nenko is responsible for East and West Coast program formatting, procedures and post production; commercial scheduling, announcers, screening operations and departmental finance, budgeting and personnel.

Joining the network in 1968 as unit manager responsible for such programs as "General Hospital" and "This is Tom Jones," Nenko was named program unit managers supervisor the following year.

Dr. and Mrs. Wilkins co-author history text

Dr. Robert P. Wilkins, former Marshall history professor, and his wife, Wynona, have jointly authored "North Dakota: A History" for the States and the Nation Series published under grants by the National Endowment for the Humanities and directed by the American Association for State and Local History.

Dr. Wilkins, who taught at Marshall from 1964 to 1967, is professor of history at the University of North Dakota and editor of the "North Dakota Quarterly." Mrs. Wilkins, who holds an M.A. degree in history, is a member of the Department of French faculty at the University of North Dakota. She taught at Huntington High School and at the Ironton Branch of Ohio University when they lived here.

the day of the performance, tickets will be sold at the Keith-Albee beginning at 6:30 p.m. Ticket prices for faculty and staff are \$8 for main floor and loge seats and \$6 for balcony seats.

Marshall students with activity cards will be admitted free. Students without activity cards, but who hold valid Marshall identification cards, may purchase tickets at half price.

Miss Horne, a mezzo-soprano, made her debut at the Met in 1970 and has sung with nearly every major opera company in the world, including La Scala, Covent Garden and the Paris Opera. She has performed with many of the world's best known conductors, including Igor Stravinsky and Paul Hindemith.

Her program here will include arias from Gluck's "Orfeo ed Euridice," Gounod's "Sapho," and Meyerbeer's "Les Hugenots," as well as songs by Handel, Schumann and Massenet.

LECTURE-RECITALS SET

Dr. James L. Taggart, professor of music at Marshall University, will present two lecture-recitals on the keyboard sonatas of F.J. Haydn in April at the West Virginia Science and Culture Center in Charleston.

Sponsored by the state Department of Culture and History, the programs are scheduled at 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 5, and Wednesday, April 12. They are free and open to the public.

The programs will complete Taggart's series of four lecture-recitals begun in January which were interrupted by the winter weather.

FORUM BRINGS NEWSMAN

Bill Monroe, anchorman of NBC-TV's news program "Meet the Press," will appear on the Marshall Artists Series' Forum Series at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 6, in Old Main Auditorium.

Admission to Forum events is by season membership tickets or Marshall Student Activity Cards.

Monroe, considered by many as Washington's most distinguished journalist, will discuss "Beginning: The American Century."

A Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Tulane University, he succeeded Lawrence Spivak as moderator and executive producer of "Meet the Press" in 1975. Monroe went to Washington as NBC's bureau chief in 1961 and later became Washington editor and on-air interviewer for the "Today" show.

Huntington Clinical Foundation contributes to cancer research

A \$5,000 check, earmarked for cancer research, has been presented to the Marshall University School of Medicine by the Huntington Clinical Foundation.

Announcement of the gift was made by Dr. Robert W. Coon, MU medical school dean, and Dr. Bernard Queen, executive director of the Marshall Foundation.

"We sincerely appreciate the continuing interest and support of the Huntington Clinical Foundation," Dr. Queen said in accepting the check from L. F. Norton, chairman of the Clinical Foundation.

The gift will be used to support clinical cancer investigation to be directed by Dr. George J. Hill, medical school associate dean for clinical affairs and Surgery Department chairman, with assistance by Dr. Nancy Scher, who will join the MU Medicine Department faculty in July.