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Merry Christmas

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Info on holiday schedule, paychecks, etc.

Administrative offices will close at the end of the working day Friday, Dec. 22, for the holidays and re-open at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 2.

All outgoing mail should be in the Campus Mail Room no later than 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, if it is to be processed before the holiday break.

Payroll checks will be distributed from the Campus

Mail Room after 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 16, and after 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 30.

This is the final edition of the News Letter for 1978. Publication will resume with the start of second semester. Items for the News Letter should be delivered to the University Relations Office, Old Main 112, either in person or through campus mail, by 10 a.m. on the Wednesday preceding publication.

TV editorials blast merger resolution

The following is a WSAZ-TV editorial by George Andrick, general manager, which was broadcast on the 6 and 11 p.m. newscasts of Dec. 6:

"A year ago...West Virginia's legislature created a committee of lawmakers and citizens to explore the feasibility of consolidating the three medical schools in West Virginia. On paper...the concept looked interesting. Perhaps the consolidation of such things as purchasing and the sharing of administrative costs could save the taxpayers some money. But the committee did a strange thing this week. It submitted a proposal to the legislature...then disbanded itself. Its proposal is laughable.

"The committee decided that the best way to proceed would be to ship medical students from all three schools to Morgantown for the first two years of medical training. The practical effect of such a move would be to simply wipe out the existing medical schools at Marshall and Lewisburg. It would also mean the construction of expensive new facilities on the already overcrowded Morgantown campus. And it would negate the efforts of hundreds of people who put together the funding package that provided that federal government would bear the brunt of the costs of Marshall's facility...instead of state taxpayers...who fork up 75-dollars for each and every doctor graduated at WVU.

"Only citizen member Jody Smirl voted against the proposal. Committee members Albert Esposito, Orton Jones, and Bill Yoak were absent. But people like Don Arnwine, Mario Palumbo, James Davis, George Farley, Larry Shifano, Hilarion Cann, W.J. Maier, Jr., and Paige Wooldridge thought

this was the Best Idea for the future of medical education in West Virginia.

"We have a suggestion. Appoint another committee. A committee to look at the situation as it really exists...and find ways to improve it. Rather than this resolution that was so embarrassing the committee disbanded itself right after passing it."

The following television editorial by Leo M. MacCourtney, vice president and general manager of WOWK-TV, was aired on Dec. 8 and 11.

We urge the state legislature to reject a legislative subcommittee's resolution that all medical students in the state attend West Virginia University for their first two years of training in the basic sciences.

Such a requirement would signal the end of both the Osteopathic School of Medicine at Lewisburg and the newly-established Marshall University Medical School. Despite the subcommittee's claims to the contrary, we remain unconvinced that there would be any savings in such a step and that it would result in a catastrophic setback in terms of future medical services available to an already deprived West Virginia citizenry.

The prevailing rumor has had it that the legislature is pro West Virginia University to a fault; that is, to the detriment of the programs of other institutions of higher learning throughout the Mountain State.

Heretofore, we have always thought such charges as not worthy of consideration. One begins to wonder.

Faculty and staff achievements, activities...

DR. RICHARD O. COMFORT, professor of sociology/anthropology, attended a planning conference in Montreat, N.C., Nov. 30-Dec. 1, for the Third Annual Conference on Aging schedule there next fall. Comfort will coordinate a section of the conference which is expected to draw more than 250 people.

DR. WALLIN S. MCCARDELL, assistant professor of journalism, attended the national convention of The Society

Social Security hike

Under federal law, the Social Security tax rate and the maximum wages it applies to will be increased Jan. 1.

The new rate will be 6.13% of all wages up to a \$22,900 maximum. The tax is based on calendar year earnings, according to Roger Hesson, payroll director.

Report from U Council

The University Council met on Dec. 6 and conducted the following items of business:

- a. A review of the draft statement of Marshall University Role and Scope, 1979-84. Dr. Edward Cubby, a member of the ad hoc Planning Council proposing the document, was asked to convey the concerns of the University Council to the planning group.
- b. A recapitulation of the Faculty Senate voting results. While no official action was taken, there seemed to be strong support for considering changes in the current constitution through the amendment process. The Council was asked to consider this possibility for the purposes of discussion during the second semester.

Submitted by
Sam Clagg
Chairman, University Council

Doctorate earned

John E. Dolin, Marshall University assistant professor of art, has earned the Doctor of Philosophy degree in Comparative Arts from Ohio University, according to the MU Academic Affairs Office.

The degree was conferred by OU on Nov. 22. Dr. Dolin's dissertation was entitled "The Relationship of the Arcological Architecture of Paolo Soleri to the Evolutionary Thought of Pierre Teilhard de Chardin."

Additional names wanted

The Physical Facilities and Planning Committee met Dec. 7 and decided that further suggestions for naming Academic Building B were to be sought. It was recommended to the president that the Multi-Purpose Facility be named "The Henderson-Gullickson Center." It was decided to investigate circumstances relative to the creation of parking area "L." Other action was deferred until the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Eric P. Thorn, secretary

Excused absences...

Absences have been excused by the respective college deans for the following:

- NOV. 30-DEC. 3--Women's Basketball team.
DEC. 1-2--Varsity Wrestling team.
DEC. 7-10--Women's Basketball team.

of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi, in Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 15-17. McCardell, who is president of the Ohio Valley-Kanawha Chapter, was a voting delegate.

DR. ROBERT D. OLSON, professor of speech, has been invited to serve as an impartial hearing officer by the state Department of Education as part of its program for implementing Public Law 94-142, which mandates and regulates services to all handicapped children. Olson participated in a two-day training program in Charleston on Dec. 12-13.

JOHN MCKERNAN, assistant professor of English, has a poem, "How Can We Think of Time," appearing in the Dec. 10 issue of The Real Paper in Boston, Mass.

DR. WARREN W. WOODEN, associate professor of English, has been notified that two papers have been accepted and scheduled for delivery at conferences to be held next fall: "Erasmus' Apologia for 'The Praise of Folly'" at the Sixteenth Century Studies Conference meeting at the University of Guelph in Ontario, and "The 'Episcopus Puerorum': A Forgotten Chapter in Early English Children's Literature" at the 1979 Carolinas Symposium on British Studies meeting at Myrtle Beach, S.C.

DR. RUTH T. WELLMAN, associate professor of education, has been invited to deliver the keynote address for the 13th Curriculum Conference of the New Jersey Teacher's Association to be held at the College of St. Elizabeth, near Madison, N.J., on March 2. Dr. Wellman will open the one-day meeting with a discussion of "Science and Reading: Basic Partners," and will conduct an afternoon workshop for conference participants.

DR. VIRGINIA O. ALLEN, School of Nursing dean, conducted a workshop at Kent State University on Dec. 6. She presented the topic "Making a Conceptual Framework Operational" to the faculty in Kent State's Associate in Science in Nursing degree program.

DR. ROLAND L. MADISON, associate professor of accounting, and Wayne A. Ross, a certified public accountant with the Denver office of Arthur Anderson and Co., have submitted a manuscript for point competition on behalf of the Southern West Virginia Chapter of the National Association of Accountants. As a result of this submission, Madison, a member of both the Southern and National Association, had Mrs. Patricia Keeler, a senior credit analyst for the Kanawha Valley Bank, speak to his advanced and intermediate accounting classes on Dec. 7.

DR. ROBERT GODFREY, DR. ROLAND MADISON, and NEAL ADKINS, associate professors of accounting, HENRY MAESER, assistant professor of accounting, MRS. DONNA DINGUS and ED PAULEY, accounting instructors, attended the annual Christmas banquet of the MU Accounting Club on Dec. 9. Guest speaker, Robert Ellis, Huntington attorney, discussed "The Magic of Christmas."

SEASON'S GREETINGS

To The Faculty and Staff of Marshall University!
We Wish You a Merry Christmas
And a Happy New Year!!!

Rather than send personal greetings to each one, we have elected to send greetings by way of the Marshall University News Letter and send a gift to a charitable organization of our choice.

George Harbold, Warren Lutz, Paul D. Stewart, William Deel, Bernard Queen, Donald Salyers, David Scites, Bonnie Lytle, Kyle McMullen, Dennis Montrella, Lyle Plymale, William Westbrook, Kenneth Blue, Cindy Garrett, Dee Cook, Karen Li Simpkins and James Harless.