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News Letter

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Grubb, Smith to be degree recipients

A major industrial leader and an outstanding research scientist have been selected to receive honorary degrees during Marshall University's 1976 Commencement program, Marshall President Robert B. Hayes announced.

L. Edward Grubb, chairman and chief officer of INCO, Ltd. (formerly Nickel Co. of Canada, Ltd.), will receive the Doctor of Laws degree. A Doctor of Science degree will be awarded to Joseph J. Smith, director of research and development for Union Carbide Corporation's Chemicals and Plastics Operations Division.

The Commencement ceremonies will be Saturday, May 15, at 11 a.m. in Memorial Field House. As announced earlier, Dr. James G. Harlow, president of West Virginia University, will be the Commencement speaker. He also will be awarded an honorary degree, Doctor of Humane Letters.

In announcing the selection of Smith and Grubb as honorary degree recipients, President Hayes noted, "Both men have achieved outstanding records in their respective fields. In addition to their professional accomplishments, however, they have provided significant support for higher education both as

individuals and in their corporate positions."

Grubb, a former Huntington resident, now makes his home in Toronto, Canada. Smith's headquarters are located in South Charleston and he resides in Charleston.

A native of Passaic, N.J., Grubb graduated with a B.A. degree from Wesleyan University in Middletown, Conn. He joined the International Nickel organization in 1934 and was assigned to Huntington Alloy Products Division (now Huntington Alloys, Inc.) where he remained as a member of the Accounting Department until 1937. After serving as general superintendent of the company's Bayonne Works in New Jersey, he returned to Huntington in 1953 as general superintendent here.

Grubb moved to New York City in 1957 as assistant vice president of The International Nickel Co., Inc., and in 1961 was elected vice president with responsibility for primary nickel commercial activities in the United States.

He has held a number of major positions with the parent firm and its subsidiaries, becoming president and chief officer of the parent company in 1972. In 1974 he was selected to head the company as chairman of the board of directors and of the executive committee, as well as chief officer. He also serves as chairman of the firm's two major United States subsidiaries.

A native of Brooklyn, N.Y., Smith was a track star, winning high school and collegiate championships in the 880-yard run. He earned his B.S. degree with honors from Fordham College in New York, majoring in chemistry and philosophy with a minor in mathematics. He also studied organic chemistry, metallic corrosion and metallurgy at Stevens Institute of Technology in Hoboken, N.J.

Smith joined Union Carbide in Bloomfield, N.J., in 1943 as a chemist and rose to assistant director and technology manager at the laboratories in Bound Brook, N.J.

He was transferred to the Union Carbide Technical Center at South Charleston, W.Va., in 1965 and the following year was appointed director of research and development.

He has done extensive research work in many areas and was one of the pioneers in the use of infrared spectrophotometry for the elucidation of synthetic polymer molecular structure.

The author of more than a dozen articles published in professional journals, Smith is the holder of two U.S. patents.

Six faculty members receive research awards

Six Marshall faculty members were honored for their past achievements in research and creative arts activities at last night's Faculty Research Awards Dinner.

Although originally there was to be one grand award honoree selected from the six division winners, the committees choosing the winners ended up with a tie for grand award, according to Dr. Paul D. Stewart, Graduate School dean and chairman of the Research Board.

Receiving awards of \$1,000 each were Dr. Paul W. Whear, professor of music, selected as the Creative Arts Division winner, and Dr. John Plott, associate professor of philosophy, selected from the Humanities Division.

Awards of \$250 each were made to the following: Dr. Phillip Balsmeier, associate professor of management, Business Division; Dr. David Woodward, professor of history, Social Sciences Division; Dr. Joe Khatena, professor of education, Education Division, and Dr. James E. Douglass, professor of chemistry, Natural Science and Mathematics Division.

Faculty members considered for the awards were nominated by their colleagues and then asked to present documentation of their research work which had been published, Dr. Stewart said.

The awards were funded by the Marshall University Foundation, Inc.

About 100 people were invited to attend the dinner, including the award winners and their spouses, recipients of summer research grants, several major administrators and representatives of the Marshall Foundation.

Contracts by July 1

The News Letter incorrectly reported last week that Chancellor Morton expected contracts for higher education personnel to be ready by June 1. The correct date is July 1.

Aldred re-elected faculty representative

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Dr. Francis Aldred, professor of history, was re-elected as Marshall's representative to the Board of Regents Advisory Council of Faculty.

Results of the balloting on committee assignments follow:

Athletic Committee, Dr. Carole Vickers, associate professor of home economics.

Public Relations and Publications, Ralph Turner, assistant professor of journalism.

Faculty Service, Dr. Robert Maddox, associate professor of history.

Memorial Student Center Board, Dr. Richard Comfort, professor of sociology and anthropology.

Hearing Committee:

Professors who were unopposed are: Dr. Dorothy Hicks, associate director of athletics; Dr. Zane McCoy, education; Dr. Edwin Cubby, chairman of the Social Studies Department, and Dr. Thomas England, accounting.

Associate professors elected were Dr. Daniel Babb, chemistry; Dr. Ram Singh, sociology and anthropology, and Dr. Ronald Toulouse, office administration.

Assistant professors elected were Dr. David Duke, history; Mary Kopp, nursing, and Mary Marshall, health, physical education.

Instructors who were unopposed are Roderick O'Donnell, track; Ruth McQuade, sociology, and Daniel Lockhart, business and applied science.

Announcements...

Marshall University's Department of Music will close its 1975-76 concert season with four programs next week, ranging from an opera workshop to a flute and piccolo recital.

All four events will be held in Smith Recital Hall and are open to the public. The programs include:

Monday, at 3:30 p.m., an Opera Workshop Production of Mozart's "Don Giovanni," directed by Dr. Paul Balshaw, professor of music. Eight music students will appear in the concert version (without sets or costumes.)

Monday, at 8 p.m., a program of chamber and choral music featuring the Collegium Musicum, directed by Dr. Bradford DeVos, associate professor, and the A Capella Choir, directed by Dr. Balshaw.

Tuesday, at 8 p.m., the University Percussion Ensemble, under the direction of James Warwick, instructor. The ensemble will present a variety of contemporary arrangements and original compositions.

Wednesday, at 8 p.m., a recital of flute and piccolo chamber music featuring Tana Roquemore, flute instructor, and four students. Dr. James Taggart, associate professor of music will assist at the piano.

Reception to honor

retiring faculty members

Retiring Marshall University faculty members will be honored at a reception on Thursday between the hours of 2:30 and 4 p.m. in the Alumni Lounge, Memorial Student Center.

The reception is open to all faculty members and friends of the honorees who are: Jack Brown, Phyllis Cyrus, Elizabeth Czompo, Dorothy Fisher, Ben W. Hope, Alfred Lanegger and Layton Thompson.

The Faculty Service Committee will host the event.

Invitation extended

Ed Norris, director of the Huntington Special Olympics, has issued a special invitation to Marshall University employees to attend the 1976 Special Olympics events which are scheduled throughout the week of May 3.

The events planned include a swimming meet at 10 a.m. Friday, May 7, at the YMCA May Building and track and field competition beginning at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at the MU track.

Additional information can be obtained by calling Norris at 523-1901.

ART SALE

A sale of art work by students in the Art Department will be held from 10 a.m. to dusk today and Saturday, on the campus in front of Marshall's Northcott Hall, near 16th Street.

If it should rain, the sale will be held in the lobby of Smith Hall or under the Smith Hall portico facing 3rd Avenue, according to Mrs. June Kilgore, departmental chairman.

Works by students in a variety of art media will be available, including graphics, paintings, drawings and ceramics.

READER'S THEATER

"The Lost Counties," a Marshall University Reader's Theater production, will be presented by the MU Department of Speech at 8 p.m., Wednesday, in Smith Hall Room 154.

The event is open to the public without charge.

The program theme, in keeping with the Bicentennial, is the growth of West Virginia colleges and universities throughout the years.

Materials from various sources including institutional histories, "The West Virginia Review" and 19th Century issues of "The Parthenon," Marshall's student newspaper were assembled for the presentation by the director, Dr. William G. Kearns, associate professor of speech.

'PICKERS' HERE

The Office of Student Activities, in cooperation with the West Virginia Arts and Humanities Council, is sponsoring the appearance today and tomorrow of the Putnam County Pickers in Marshall's coffee house.

The group which specializes in bluegrass, folk, jazz and ragtime music, will perform both evenings.

UNIVERSITY SINGERS

The University Singers will present a musical program, "Spectacular '76," Saturday at 8 p.m. in Old Main Auditorium. Tickets may be obtained by calling the Music Department at 696-3113 or 696-3117 or purchased at the door. Tickets will be \$2.

AAUP meeting Tuesday

The Marshall University Chapter, American Association of University Professors, will meet at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday in Memorial Student Center Room 2W22. The agenda includes:

(1) Election of 1976-77 officers.

(2) Annual Faculty Salary Report, presented by Dr. William H. Paynter, assistant professor of social studies.

DR. ROBERT D. OLSON, professor of speech and director of the Speech and Hearing Center, was a member of the faculty of the Patient Care Audit workshop conducted in conjunction with the New York Speech and Hearing Association convention at Grossinger, N.Y., April 23-25. He will teach another workshop at the national conference for directors of speech and hearing clinics at Lake Tahoe, Calif., June 18-20.

An article, "The Yale Scientific Expedition of 1871," by MARY FAITH PUSEY, assistant cataloger in the Morrow Library, appears in the Spring 1976 issue of manuscripts.

DR. JOHN R. WARREN, professor of biological sciences, and DR. JOSEPH S. LA CASCIA, chairman of the Economics Department, participated in a regional conference for Fulbright-Hays alumni on "International Education: Link for Human Understanding." The conference was held at the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va.

CHARLES F. GRUBER, assistant professor of social studies, attended the Sixth Annual National Meeting of the Latin American Studies Association in Atlanta on March 24-27.

DR. CAROLE VICKERS, associate professor of home economics, and DR. RICHARD COMFORT, professor of sociology and anthropology, coordinated Consumer Education workshops, sponsored by their departments, for more than 50 Huntington area agencies April 20-22. The workshops are part of a project financed by a Title I grant. Assisting with the

workshops were the following graduate students: Barbara A. Thornley, Karen Handley, Jim Davis, Frank Chevabongsvrasak, Sheila Smith, Buddy Shaver and Ernie Hissom.

RICHARD D. RANDOLPH, director of personnel, was one of 62 persons attending the Second Annual West Virginia Chapter of the Industrial Relations Research Association Conference, which was held April 23 and 24 at Camp Virgil Tate. The theme of the conference was "New Trends in Collective Bargaining." John Bacheller, a member of the law firm of Fisher and Phillips of Atlanta, Georgia was the guest speaker for the conference. Panels and workshops on the agenda included "Work Stoppages", "Public Sector Bargaining", "Labor Market Analysis", "OEO", "Labor Relations", and "Employee Training and Development."

Want to coach?

Call Joe McMullen

Like to be a coach?

The Marshall University Department of Athletics is trying to locate members of the Marshall faculty or staff—or their spouses—who have the talent for coaching. The opportunities are available to both men and women, Athletic Director Joseph H. McMullen said.

If you believe you are qualified to coach or to help coach a particular sport, call or write McMullen at the Department of Athletics, 696-3190, and inform him of your interest. Or you may know of a qualified colleague who is too modest to volunteer. McMullen said he would like to know about these people, too.

"Often it is assumed that only those educated in athletics or health, physical education and recreation are coaches," McMullen said. "This is an erroneous assumption."

Summer addresses needed

To All Faculty Members:

Because the Board of Regents has not yet given us our institutional appropriation for 1976-77, it will be necessary to delay notices of appointment for next year. These notices will be mailed just as quickly as possible after the appropriation has been received.

In the meantime, all faculty members are asked to supply their Dean's Offices a correct summer mailing address and the name and address of a proxy who may sign within the ten-day reply period if the faculty member will be unavailable to sign.

Forms of this purpose have been distributed and should be completed and returned to the Dean's Offices on or before Friday, May 7.

A. Mervin Tyson
Vice President for Academic Affairs

Absences excused...

Excused absences have been approved for the following students by the deans of their respective colleges:

APRIL 13 and APRIL 27, members of the men's track team; APRIL 21, members of the women's track team; APRIL 23, Greg Ward; APRIL 23, baseball team members; APRIL 28, students enrolled in Recreation 460 (Therapeutic Recreation).

NEWCOMERS

Newcomers to the campus include:

KATHRYN FAY DILLON, secretary to School of Medicine librarian; SHEILA WEBB, key-punch operator, Computer Center, and SHIRLEY W. WHITLOW, mailroom clerk.

Bus to be provided for retired faculty

A special bus will be provided for retired faculty members who wish to attend Marshall's 139th Commencement on Saturday, May 15, at 11 a.m. in Memorial Field House, according to the president's office.

The bus will leave the 5th Avenue entrance of Memorial Student Center at 10:30 a.m. and will return to the campus in time for the luncheon following commencement. The retirees may leave their cars at the campus.

RUSSIAN COMEDY

Neil Simon's comedy, "The Good Doctor," will be presented by Speech 405 (advanced acting) students at 8 p.m. Tuesday in Old Main Auditorium.

The event is open to the public without charge. Directing the production are Margaret E. Fadeley, a senior, and Dr. Elaine A. Novak, professor of speech and class instructor.

Set in turn-of-the-century Russia, the six short comedies comprising "The Good Doctor" were adapted by Simon from stories by Anton Chekhov.