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News Letter

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MU TO REMAIN 'INDEPENDENT'

Calling for "continuous exploration" of the question, the Marshall University Athletic Committee and Athletic Director Joseph H. McMullen have recommended that Marshall continue to operate in the immediate future as a major independent in intercollegiate athletics.

The report, which also calls for development of Marshall's athletic facilities "to an adequate level," has been accepted and approved by Marshall President John G. Barker.

McMullen and the Athletic Committee were asked to recommend one of three athletic alternatives for Marshall:

- Continue as a major independent.
- Join an existing major conference.
- Join with other institutions to form a new conference.

"After a great deal of discussion and research," the report reads, "it is our recommendation that Marshall University should continue to operate its intercollegiate program as a major independent.

"Our first and most pressing need is to develop our facilities to an adequate level where we can be more favorably considered by other universities. Whatever our course of action may be regarding affiliation, it is self evident that we do not measure up to other universities when it comes to facilities.

"To affiliate or not to affiliate is a complicated question that needs deeper and longer continuous exploration. It cannot

be rushed or forced since affiliation with a conference is a great deal like marriage and the parties usually date for a period of time before marriage is proposed."

The report indicates that Athletic Director McMullen will continue to visit with commissioners of various conferences and with other athletic directors regarding possible future avenues of action.

The report cautions, "We should not overcommit ourselves in any one direction. We should concentrate for the present at being as good a major independent as possible within the framework of institutional and National Collegiate Athletic Association regulations."

Dr. Harold L. Willey was chairman of the Athletic Committee subcommittee assigned to explore the question of athletic affiliation.

Foreign language meeting

The annual meeting of the Continuing Conference for Foreign Language Teaching in West Virginia will be held on Marshall's campus in the Memorial Student Center March 30-31. Approximately 125 high school and college level foreign language teachers will be attending, according to Harold T. Murphy, associate professor of modern languages at MU.

Barker endorses AASCU position

Marshall President John G. Barker has endorsed the student aid position of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU), formulated at a legislative conference in Washington, D. C., Feb. 27-28.

The AASCU resolution calls for immediate action by Congress on the student aid funds contained in the supplemental appropriations for Fiscal Year 1973. President Barker said the resolution was adopted because "an emergency situation now exists and unless Congress acts rapidly, many thousands of students throughout the nation will be denied an education next fall."

In addition to timely action on the supplemental appropriation so that students will know this spring what kind of aid will be available for next fall, the state college and university presidents meeting in Washington also called for funding of the student grants and loans at the authorized level. Dr. Barker explained that although the Association supports President Nixon's request for \$622 million for the newly-enacted Basic Educational Opportunity Grants program to help needy students, it is greatly concerned with the plight of the lower and middle income students who have been receiving assistance through educational opportunity grants and low cost loans.

"In the face of rising costs," Dr. Barker said, "it is urgent that, as the law requires, the grant and loan programs be funded at a minimum of \$286 million in order to help the lower and middle income students continue their education."

John Teel Scholarship awarded to freshman

Helen Virginia Gardner, Marshall University freshman from South Point, Ohio, was presented a \$500 check at an awards ceremony held on campus Wednesday afternoon.

The check was presented to Miss Gardner by The Sarah and Pauline Maier Scholarship Foundation, Inc., of Charleston. In September the foundation established a "John W. Teel Scholarship" at Marshall in honor of Teel, assistant professor in the Department of English, based on his article, "Freshman English in the Age of Revolution." The article was published last May by The National Review.

The scholarship was designated as a prize for the paper of highest literary quality written in an English composition course at Marshall during the 1972-73 academic year.

Miss Gardner's essay, "A View of Television Violence and the Violent Society," was chosen from approximately 25 essays submitted.

Three runners-up also were chosen. They are Joyce A. Frasher, Judy May, and Mary W. Neal.

Each of the runners-up was presented at the awards ceremony with a book entitled "Brief Lives: A Biographical Companion to the Arts."

Dr. William Sullivan, professor of English; Marilyn Putz, associate professor of English; Dr. Larry Ten Harmsel, assistant professor of English, and Teel served on the committee to judge the compositions.

MU NEWCOMERS

CAROL MARIE GREENE, reference librarian for the James E. Morrow Library, RITA A. MANN, clerk for the College of Arts and Sciences, and EMMETT DEAN, custodian with Buildings and Grounds, are recent newcomers to the Marshall campus.

Marshall University administrators, faculty, staff and students welcome you!

English professor receives award

Dr. Warren W. Wooden, associate professor of English, has been awarded a \$2,000 summer research grant under the Younger Humanists Program of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The grant, one of 150 awarded annually by the Endowment, will enable Dr. Wooden to initiate work on a book-length study of St. Thomas More's "Utopia," subject of several previous papers and articles by Dr. Wooden.

Dr. Wooden was nominated for the summer research grant by Dr. William K. Easley, Marshall vice president for academic affairs, and Dr. George J. Harbold, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

He is the second Marshall recipient of a grant under the Younger Humanists Program. Dr. Philip M. Pittman, also an associate professor of English, received an award from the endowment two years ago.

The purpose of the grants is to give recipients free time for self-development as teachers and contributors to learning in the humanities.

Dr. Wooden, a native of Raleigh, N.C., has been a member of the Marshall faculty since 1968. He received his B.A. degree from the University of North Carolina, his M.A. from the University of Mississippi, and his Ph.D. from Vanderbilt University.

He has held teaching fellowships at the University of Mississippi and Vanderbilt University and was an instructor at Fisk University before coming to Marshall.

Faculty voice recital

Dr. Paul Balshaw, associate professor of music, will present a voice recital Tuesday, March 27, in Smith Hall Auditorium. Accompanying Dr. Balshaw will be Dr. James Taggart, associate professor of music, on piano; Dr. C. L. Kingsbury, chairman of the music department, on flute; Theodore Heger, assistant professor of music, on oboe; and Dr. Bradford DeVos, assistant professor of music, on bassoon.

Selections included for Dr. Balshaw's recital will be "Cuopre Tal Volto il Cielo" by Handel; "Dichterliebe," poetry by Heine and music by Robert Schumann; six monologues from "Everyman," poetry by Hofmannsthal and music by Frank Martin, and "Cortigianni" from the opera "Rigoletto" by Verdi.

Students excused

Karen Price was excused from her Music 303 class Tuesday, March 20. She met with the North Central Association's Examining Team at that time.

Marcia Perry was excused from classes on Thursday, March 22. She played the organ, assisting Mrs. Janice Chandler, music instructor at Huntington East High School, in performance with the Cabell County Junior High Festival.

Honors readers

Twenty Marshall University students are participating in an honors reading program this academic year. These students will be honored at the recognition luncheon to be held following this year's Marshall University Honors Convocation to be held Thursday, March 29.

The students are Pamela Stinespring, Spanish; William E. Shambora III, sociology and anthropology; Jean Smith McMorrow, sociology and anthropology; Becky Hall Hibbard, journalism; Mark Campbell, political science; Steven Hayes, political science; Shirley Johnson, political science; Michael McVay, mathematics; Barbara Ayres, English, Richard T. Mills, English, and Ellen H. Brown, English.

Kimberly Adkins, French and Spanish; Ede Jane Ashworth, Spanish; Joseph B. Head, economics; C. Dallas Kayser, economics; Coral Spencer speech; Mark Taylor, political science; Helenjo S. Doak, English; Robin Griffith, English, and Linda Nelson, English.

The Honors Convocation will be held at 11 a.m. in Old Main Auditorium. It will feature a colloquium on the subject. "From Clockwork Orange to Last Tango in Paris: the State of the Arts in Contemporary Society."

High School Band Contest

The West Virginia Band Masters Association will be host for the West Virginia High School Stage Band Contest on Marshall's campus tomorrow, according to J. D. Folsom, assistant professor of music at MU and coordinator of the contest.

Thirteen state bands earned superior ratings at either the Northern or Southern Stage Band Festival held Feb. 24 and March 3, respectively. These bands are now eligible to compete in the state contest.

The band chosen winner of Saturday's contest will have the honor of performing for the West Virginia Music Educators Association Convention to be held April 12-14 at the Civic Center in Charleston.

Five bands from the northern region and eight southern region bands will be competing Saturday.

The judge for the contest will be Father George Wiskirchen of Notre Dame University.

The contest will begin Saturday 9:30 a.m. in Smith Hall Auditorium. Each band will present a 20-minute performance. "A runner-up band will be chosen in case the winner is unable to attend the state convention in Charleston," Folsom said.

Saturday's event will be open to the public.

Lecture scheduled

Dr. Samuel DuBois Cook, professor of political science at Duke University, is on campus today.

Dr. Cook will present a lecture this evening at 8 o'clock in Smith Hall Auditorium, Room 154. The topic will be "Oppressed Minorities in the American Political System and Social Order."

Dr. Cook's visit is being sponsored by the Political Science Lectureship Program, originally established in 1970. The 1972-73 program has been funded by the Twentieth Street Bank of Huntington and Charles M. Polan Jr., Huntington businessman and legislator, according to Dr. Clair W. Matz, assistant professor of political science at MU and coordinator for the program.

The evening lecture is open to the Huntington and Marshall communities.

Faculty and staff achievements, activities...

GEORGE T. ARNOLD JR, assistant professor of journalism, is scheduled to appear on the WHTN-TV Noon News Show Wednesday, March 28. The topic of the interview will be the 38th Annual United High School Press Convention to be held on campus March 30-31.

RICHARD DIXON, instructor of sociology, DR. RAM N. SINGH, associate professor of sociology, and DR. PETER FEUERLE assistant professor of political science, attended the Faculty Institute of the Regional Council for International Education on March 8-10.

They presented a joint paper entitled, "Models for the Comparative Analysis of Social Systems with Applications to Yugoslavia and the Soviet Union."

DR. RAM N. SINGH, associate professor of sociology, and Loretta Haddy, a former Marshall graduate student, are co-authors of an article entitled "Alcohol Consumption and the Student's Use of Hallucinogenic Drugs," which will appear in the April 1973 issue of the West Virginia State Medical Journal."

KYLE McMULLEN, associate professor of accounting, NEAL G. ADKINS, instructor of accounting, and WILLIAM RADIG, assistant professor of accounting, attended an Income Tax Seminar conducted jointly by Miami University and the Internal Revenue Service Training Center in Cincinnati, Ohio, held March 8-10.

Subjects covered were use of income tax fraud provisions to control narcotics traffic, exempt organizations, and the new data retrieval system employed by the Internal Revenue Service Centers.

FLORENCE DAVIS, assistant professor of education, was interviewed on "Perspective" a public service program on WVQM-FM, Sunday, March 18. The topic of the interview was "Children's Literature" She was interviewed by Jerry Handley, Marshall broadcasting student.

THOMAS W. OLSON, assistant professor engineering, attended a film presentation on the 1972 Portland Cement Association-American Concrete Institute National Teleconference on the new ACI Concrete Code.

The meeting was held at West Virginia Institute of Technology, Montgomery, on Friday, March 16.

Magic Theatre presents...

The Magic Theatre film for this evening is "Sweet Sweetback's Badass Song." The movie will be shown at 7:30 in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Memorial Student Center. Admission is free upon presentation of ID cards.

A limited number of guest passes are available at the door on a first-come-first-serve basis.

DR. WALTER H. PERL, professor of German, has had published the following book reviews:

"Der Rosencavalier" by Hofmannsthal and Strauss in "German Quarterly," January, 1973, pp. 119-121; and in "Books Abroad" January, 1973, p. 138.

"Traumtanzerin, Jahre der Jugend." by Claire Goll in "Books Abroad." January, 1973, p. 143.

Dr. Perl also has had an article published in "Modern Austrian Literature," February 1973, V, pp. 70-82, State University of New York at Binghamton.

DR. RAM N. SINGH, associate professor of sociology, is serving as West Virginia State Inventory Chairman of the Southern Rural Sociology Research Committee.

This committee (SRSRC) is expected to evaluate the potentials of expanding the functions of existing regional associations of rural sociologists in the south to serve as mechanisms for additional lines of collaboration (i.e., USDA Regional Research Committees-S79 and S81, SRSRC—and its subcommittees, and The Rural Sociology Section of The Association of Southern Agricultural Workers).

DR. JAMES E. DOUGLASS, professor of chemistry, presented a talk on the use of nuclear magnetic resonance in undergraduate teaching before the faculty and students in the Department of Chemistry at Bethany College, March 8.

DR. WARREN L. DUMKE, associate professor of physics, attended the second part of a short course for college teachers on "Cosmology" at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, on March 12-13.

DR. E. S. HANRAHAN, chairman of the chemistry department, visited Fairmont State College on March 15 to present a talk to students and faculty of the Science Division on the topic "Solvent Effects in Hydrogen Bonding."

MILITARY BALL

The annual Marshall University Military Ball will be held Saturday, March 31, in the ballroom of American Legion Post 16, Sixth Avenue, Huntington. Playing for the occasion will be the Logan Brothers from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

The motif for the dance will be Hawaiian. Set-ups may be purchased. Tickets for the formal dance may be purchased at \$2 per couple at Gullickson Hall Room 217.

Workshop rescheduled

The Opera Workshop sponsored by the Marshall Music Department was originally scheduled for March 22 and 23. The Workshop has been rescheduled for April 12 and 13 at 8 p.m.