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MU professor serving with Regents

CLAGG OUTLINES PRIORITIES

(The following article was written by Judith Casto of the Huntington Herald-Dispatch. It is reprinted here with her permission.)

Improved remuneration for faculty members and better physical facilities are top priorities for the newest member of the West Virginia Board of Regents.

Although an ex-officio member without voting privileges, Dr. Sam Clagg of Huntington, Marshall University geography department chairman, sees his appointment as “continuing evidence” the regents “react favorably to suggestions of merit.”

Since the establishment of the regents board in 1960 by the state legislature, unsuccessful attempts have been made to amend the bill to provide a voting faculty and a voting student representative.

A few years ago Gov. Arch A. Moore Jr. began appointing a student representative to sit in as an ex-officio member.

Clagg was invited last month by the regents to attend its meetings in his role as chairman of the Regents Advisory Council of Faculty. “My role will be at the direction of the council,” he said.

With his appointment or invitation to participate in regents meetings, does Clagg believe voting representation is closer?

“It’s bound to be closer, if that’s the ultimate objective, but I don’t know if it is,” said Clagg, adding he sees nothing wrong with voting privileges for a faculty representative.

“Of course, I’ve always believed that if you had a good argument, you can win what you want anyway,” he said.

Unlike some educators and legislators, Clagg doesn’t believe “communication” with the regents has been a genuine problem.

As a member of the advisory council which is composed of a representative from each of the state colleges and universities, Clagg said he has “never felt remote from the regents.”

The council has a voice through Dr. Prince Woodard, the chancellor, according to Clagg, who added the minutes of the regents meetings reflect this.

“Woodard has taken all our resolutions to the regents and they have listened to them.” Clagg said. “My appointment provides a more direct communication.”

Elected council chairman in July, Clagg attended his first regents session last month. “I felt like one of the group and I participated in the discussion of several matters,” he said.

The MU professor added his opinion not only was volunteered but, in some instances, was sought by the regents.

According to a letter from Woodard extending the invitation to participate in the regents meetings, Clagg not only will attend the formal, regular monthly meetings, but the informal discussion sessions “which the board may have from time to time.”

He will be excluded from executive sessions which are convened “to consider personnel and other related matters.”

His “full participation in board discussions will be welcomed,” according to the chancellor’s letters.

When the council chairman can not attend the board meeting, the vice chairman is to take his place. The advisory council officers are elected for one year.

Clagg also serves as chairman of Marshall’s University Council, the faculty governing body. He joined Marshall’s faculty in 1948. In 1961 he was named department chairman.

A noted cartographer, he also has had published manuals for teaching social studies. Published by Rand McNally and Co., the manuals have been used in eighth grade classes in West Virginia schools.

Clagg received his Masters of Arts degree from Marshall and his Doctor of Education degree from the University of Kentucky.

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Interested persons should contact Robert G. Bradley, director of purchasing, Room 203, Old Main for an interview.

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ATTENTION ALL FACULTY

REMINDEER- on the 6th of August each faculty member received the revised draft on “Academic Freedom and Responsibility, Appointment, Promotion, Tenure and Termination of Employment of Professional Personnel” as prepared by the Board of Regents committee. At that time we asked for individual comments in writing by Sept. 10. Such comments provided are to be made available to the Advisory Council of Faculty for final presentation to the draft committee. Several comments have been received. If you wish to provide observations, please do so immediately. A few extra copies of the draft policy are available in case yours was mislaid. Call 3108 for a copy.

Sam Clagg, Chairman
Faculty Advisory Council
to the Board of Regents
Danforth Fellowship

Marshall University is seeking highly qualified students to nominate for a Danforth Fellowship. Qualifications include a high quality point average, desire to obtain the doctorate in a discipline normally associated with the liberal arts, desire to engage in college teaching, and a willingness to begin graduate study in the fall of 1974.

Seniors and recent Marshall graduates would be eligible if they have not commenced their graduate work. Since the Graduate Record Examination should be taken in October, faculty or students should contact the Danforth Liaison Officer, Paul D. Stewart, as early as possible in September.

Faculty members are urged to recommend students to Dr. Stewart. Special forms for the G.R.E. can be obtained at his office, Room 717, Smith Hall.

Regional project for gifted students

A regional project for talented and gifted students is currently being initiated in Region II under the Pace Project ESEA, Title III, according to Lewis M. Wilcox, director. The project has three major objectives: to develop a model for the identification of gifted students, to develop model programs for gifted students, and to develop a regional school for gifted students, during the final year of the project.

A two-week summer institute to develop materials for the fall program was recently concluded. Dr. Joe Khatena, professor of educational foundations at Marshall, was the instructor, and he is serving also as consultant to the project.

This fall 90 students will be selected from the region to participate in the field testing of the programs. The program model includes the development of problem solving skills, library skills, research skills, and independent study skills. Students will be encouraged to engage in independent study pursuits in their major areas of interest.

The project anticipates that many resource people will be needed to supply the expertise needed to assist these students in their studies. "Toward this end, the project looks forward to a continuing warm relationship with Marshall University," said Mr. Wilcox. "In the past the staff of the University has rendered considerable service to the projects of this Center, and has participated in many of the meetings held here. They have also made use of the many teaching aids and resources in the Centers' library."

"We look forward to a continued sharing of these resources and the utilization of Marshall personnel in a consultant capacity throughout the project," he added.

Attention golfers

The Marshall University Faculty Golf Club (staff and administrators included) will hold its first tournament, the First Invitational Tournament of 1973, on Saturday, Sept. 22. Those persons wishing to participate should send their name, handicap (no sandbagging, please), and $1 (to be used for prizes) to Joe La Cascia, Economics Department, Room 213, Northcott Hall.

Tee-off time is at 8:25 a.m. on the first tee at Sugarwood Golf Club. Newcomers to Marshall are invited.

Dr. Lepley co-editor of scientific book

Dr. Arthur R. Lepley, professor of chemistry, is co-editor of and a contributor to a newly-published book, "Chemically Induced Magnetic Polarization."

Working with Dr. Lepley in editing the book, which includes chapters by contributors from several nations, was Dr. Gerhard L. Closs, professor of chemistry at the University of Chicago.

The book, published by Wiley-Interscience, a division of John Wiley & Sons, deals with a relatively new scientific development. The discovery of spin polarization induced by chemical reactions in 1967 has added a new and significant dimension to the field of magnetic resonance and "Chemically Induced Magnetic Polarization" offers the first comprehensive review of the origin and subsequent theories of this development.

In addition, a broad range of applications is discussed so that a scientist who is unfamiliar with the technique will know when and where chemically induced spin polarization occurs, how to detect it, and how to interpret observed results.

Dr. Lepley, a native of Peoria, Illinois, joined the Marshall University faculty in 1965. He earned his A.B. degree with honors at Bradley University, and his S.M. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Chicago. He held a National Science Foundation post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Munich, Germany, in 1958-59 and a Public Health Service post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Chicago in 1959-60.

Before joining the Marshall faculty, he taught for five years at the State University of New York at Stony Brook. He also has served as visiting professor at the University of Utah.

He is the author or co-author of more than 60 papers published in professional journals.

Dr. Lepley is married to the former Jean E. Zener. They are the parents of four children.

MU CREDIT UNION WANTS TO SERVE

Marshall University Credit Union invites all employees to participate in the activities of their credit union. The president of the Board of Directors is Bob Britton.

The MU Union is a member of the West Virginia Credit Union League, Inc., of which James L. Friedman of Charleston is president. More than 80 credit unions were represented at the annual state convention on April 14, and 22 registered guests attended.

As a member, MU Union participates fully in the numerous benefits offered by the League. The MU Union is always open to helpful suggestions for improving service to its members and to increasing membership.

In 1972, 46 new members joined and under the loan service 153 applications were approved, according to Louise S. Bailey, publicity chairman for the union and assistant professor of English.

For information on services in financial planning, low-interest loans, and many other benefits of membership, see Judy Phillips in the Union office, Old Main Basement.

DR. RICHARD BARBOUR, associate professor of music, and DR. JAMES TAGGART, associate professor of music, participated in the leadership conference of the West Virginia Arts and Humanities Council in Charleston Aug. 9-10.

The conference brought together representatives from community organizations, performing and visual artists, and leaders from the news media to plan for extensive arts development in West Virginia.

DR. THOMAS BAUSERMAN, professor of mathematics, DR. DAVID FIELDS, assistant professor of mathematics, DR. JERRY FIELDS, assistant professor of mathematics, and DR. THURMON WHITLEY, associate professor of mathematics, spoke at the Kanawha County Secondary Mathematics Teachers’ Inservice Day at Dunbar on Aug. 28.

Dr. Bauserman spoke on the topic “Introduction of Motions in Geometry by Reflections,” Dr. David Fields spoke on “Pythagorean Triples,” Dr. Jerry Fields spoke on “A Mathematical Model to Simulate Population Growth,” and Dr. Whitley spoke on “What is Topology?” and “Mathematicians are Human.”

DR. MARK PANKIN, assistant professor of mathematics, attended the summer mathematics meetings of the American Mathematical Society and the Mathematics Association of America in Missoula, Mont., Aug. 17-22.

ROBERT DILS, associate professor of physics and physical science, and DR. RALPH OBERLY, assistant professor of physics and physical science, participated in the Inservice Education Program for Cabell County secondary teachers at Beverly Hills Junior High School on Aug. 29.

MARTHA RUMMEL, assistant professor of curriculum and instruction, HELEN HUNTER, assistant professor of curriculum and instruction, and HERB ROYER, assistant professor of curriculum and instruction, held a Language Arts Inservice Workshop for the elementary and secondary teachers of Clay County on Aug. 29 at the Clay County High School.

DR. RICHARD BARBOUR, associate professor of music, attended a workshop on choral music under the leadership of professional choir director, Gregg Smith, in July. Music of the Renaissance and various contemporary composers including Charles Ives were studied and performed by participants with the Gregg Smith Chorale.

DR. W. THURMON WHITLEY, associate professor of mathematics, has been notified that his biography will appear in the 1973 edition of “Outstanding Young Men in America.”

DR. OFFA LOU JENKINS, professor of education, conducted the second in a series of in-service workshops for the special education personnel and day care persons in McDowell County on Aug. 29. More than 85 persons were in attendance.

The teachers and other staff members are developing curriculum guides that have emerged from their self-study efforts. This workshop centered around the theme, “Behavioral Objectives – then Diagnostic, Perscriptive and Percision Teaching.”

GREEN CARDS DUE

Sherry Van Meter of the News Bureau reminds all Marshall employees that the green information cards and biographical data sheets should be filled out and returned to Old Main 115 no later than Monday, Sept. 10.

Please help this office insure the early publication of an accurate Faculty-Staff Directory by returning the green cards.

FORMER DEAN DIES

Dr. James Blaine Shouse, former dean of the Teachers College at Marshall, died Tuesday night in the Huntington Veterans Administration Hospital. He was 93 years old.

Dean Shouse joined the Marshall faculty in 1920 and retired in 1945. He was dean of the Teachers College from 1924 to 1935.

He was born in Davenport, Iowa, Nov. 24, 1879. He received his A.B. degree from the University of South Dakota. He later earned appointment to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, but resigned during his second year there. His doctorate was received from the University of Chicago.

Dean Shouse’s funeral was to be held today at 10 a.m. at the Steele Funeral Home. Burial was to be in Woodmere Memorial Park.

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**Expert chess player offers challenge**

Thomas Barham of Huntington will take on all comers in a simultaneous chess exhibition Thursday, Sept. 13, at 7 p.m. in the organizational work room of Marshall University’s Memorial Student Center.

The event is being sponsored by the Marshall Chess Club, according to Dr. Neil L. Gibbins, club adviser.

Barham, formerly of New York City, is an expert-rated chess player and once played world champion Bobby Fisher.

Gibbins said the simultaneous exhibit is open to all. Challengers should bring their own chess sets.

In a similar event last year, Dr. S. Werthammer played 16 challengers simultaneously.