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News Letter

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September 14, 1973

State of the University:

CAUTIONARY NOTE SOUNDED

President John G. Barker had both "good news" and "bad news" for the Marshall community in his annual State of the University address Sept. 6.

On the bright side, Dr. Barker reported the Forward Marshall fund-raising campaign, launched July 24, already has gone over the \$300,000 mark in gifts and pledges. The goal of the three-year campaign is \$495,000.

Also on an optimistic note, Dr. Barker discussed Marshall's recent removal from private probation status by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. He said North Central had requested a follow-up study in three years, making it "very important that we continue our efforts to accomplish the goals which we identified during the process of self-study."

He also announced plans to set up a commission to follow up the self-study, to examine the North Central visiting committee's recommendations, and to submit proposals to him on a continuing basis.

Discussing problems facing Marshall, President Barker reminded that last fall the institution experienced for the first time in several years a slight downturn in enrollment.

"I need not warn you that enrollment and allocations are related very closely to one another," he said. "The era of rising enrollments provided us the opportunity to initiate new programs and to hire new faculty."

"To look at the reverse side, an era of *stable* enrollments will not permit an increase in faculty positions, nor the initiation of new programs," he continued. "An era of *declining* enrollments may bring with it the necessity to reduce faculty positions and trim programs."

He added, "I can report to you that thus far we have been able to stay within our allocations and to provide very modest salary increases by decreasing the use of part-time faculty positions and by providing terminal contracts to a limited number of faculty who had not gained tenure. I am extremely regretful that these measures have had to be resorted to, but I assure you that they were not undertaken until all other possibilities were considered and found to be deficient."

Reporting on progress in attempts to develop a more unified system of campus governance, Dr. Barker said a committee elected in May, 1972, to undertake a study of governance and to present its recommendations had not yet completed the task "but it is urgent that it be finished as soon as possible and brought first to the faculty, then to me."

He noted that whatever form of university governance is developed will be advisory to the president. "I am convinced that participation in evaluation, in the preparation of recommendations by representatives from all aspects of the university, will assure us of the best thinking we have to offer," the president said. "When these recommendations come to me, I will give them the most serious and careful consideration."

"It is sometimes objected that the recommendations of faculty committees and other groups have not been sufficiently accorded to. I think that a careful examination of

the minutes of these bodies will reveal that this administration has approved and had adopted probably in excess of 90 per cent of the recommendations coming to it."

Dr. Barker also discussed the university's efforts in the area of affirmative action and the problems of higher education in general in attracting additional tax dollars.

Looking toward the future, Dr. Barker said the university would continue "its primary emphasis upon teaching," but teaching is "vitalized" by scholarly research.

"We must increase our support for research through public and private monies. We are just beginning to develop a public service role. This too must be developed and extended in new directions," He said.

Stressing the importance of effective planning in meeting the goals ahead, Dr. Barker said:

"Effective planning will deepen the knowledge and understanding of our enterprise. Planning will strengthen our efforts to gain budgetary support. Planning will facilitate orderly development and the best use of our resources.

"We owe our students, we owe ourselves nothing less," he said.

Dr. Johnson announces United Fund assistants

Dr. Dorothy R. Johnson, chairman of the 1973-74 United Fund Campaign on the Marshall University campus, has announced the names of eight members of the university community who have agreed to undertake major responsibilities in the campaign.

The eight, and their areas of responsibility, are:

- Paul Collins, chief administrators.
- Mrs. Grace Haerberle, administrative offices.
- Dr. Clair Matz, College of Arts and Sciences.
- Dr. Joseph M. Stone, College of Business and Applied Science.
- Dr. Jack Jervis, College of Education.
- Dr. Richard Waite, non-teaching professional staff.
- Robert Spencer, Buildings and Grounds.
- Dr. Donald C. Martin, retirees living in the Cabell-Wayne area.

Dr. Johnson, an associate professor of speech, agreed to head this year's drive at the request of President John G. Barker, who noted Marshall plans an all-out effort to make the campus campaign a success.

The Cabell-Wayne United Fund Campaign, with a goal of \$673,000, will be launched September 24 with a luncheon in Marshall's Memorial Student Center.

Deputy Assessor to visit campus

As a service to the Marshall University community, representatives of the Cabell County assessor's office will be on campus Sept. 17-21 to assist university employees in submitting annual personal property and real estate evaluation forms to the assessor's office.

Deputy Assessor Roy Cobb and other members of the staff will be located in the corridor outside the Mail Room in the basement of Old Main Monday through Wednesday, Sept. 17-19. They will be in the Maintenance Building on 20th Street Thursday and Friday, Sept. 20-21, to assist Buildings and Grounds employees.

The assessor's office representatives also will collect the dog tax at the time the report forms are filled out.

'Stretch and sew' to be offered

The Marshall University Office of Community Services and the Department of Home Economics will offer a non-credit evening course entitled "Stretch and Sew."

Stretch and sew is a factory method for assembly-line construction of children's and adults' sport and casual-wear garments. The class will cover the sewing and handling of various kinds of stretch fabrics. Little or no fitting is necessary, and the stretch fabrics will be fashioned into easily-made, simple garments with few seams and no facings or interfacings, according to Jeanne Blenko, instructor for the course.

Nine class sessions will be held each Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. beginning Sept. 20 and ending Nov. 15 in Room 201 of Northcott Hall on the Marshall campus.

The class also will include basic sewing, pattern alteration and fitting. Mrs. Blenko will demonstrate at least two or three garments each session. Garments demonstrated will include tops with round, square, boat and vee necks, and shorts, slacks and skirts which are fitted, gored or pleated. The course will include instruction concerning finishes, zipper application, belts, trims and buttonholes.

Sewing machines and patterns will be available to class members, but the student will need to provide her own fabric. The course is limited to 24 persons. The enrollment fee will be \$30.

Persons interested in enrolling in the "Stretch and Sew" course may do so by calling the Office of Community Services at Marshall, telephone 696-6440. Checks should be made payable to the Marshall University Foundation, Inc., and mailed to the Office of Community Services.

If there is an interest in advanced classes, it will be possible to offer courses at a later date including the instruction of sewing raincoats and hats, coat and dress ensembles, men's wear (jackets, slacks, jumpsuits, shirts and ties) and lingerie (gowns, robes, slips, girdles, swimsuits, and bikinis). Persons interested in advanced courses also should contact the Office of Community Services.

Students excused

The following students have been excused from classes on Friday, Oct. 5, to attend a seminar on "Geotechnics in Transportation Engineering," in Lexington, Ky.:

Domenico Chianesi, Larry W. Davis, Kenneth R. Edwards, Ronnie D. Gilkerson, Fred E. Huff, Gordon B. Jobe, John S. Nenni, John S. Smith, Calvin D. Upton and Michael T. Wilson.

Golf Tournament Page 2

The First Invitational Golf Tournament of 1973, sponsored by the Marshall University Faculty Golf Club, is open to all Marshall faculty, emeritus faculty, staff and administrators.

The tournament will be held Saturday, Sept. 22, at Sugarwood Golf Club. Tee-off time on the first tee will be 8:25 a.m.

Send your name, handicap, and \$1 (for prizes) to: Joe La Cascia, Economics Department, Room 213, Northcott Hall.

CLEP Testing Program may need proctors

The Office of Admissions administers the College Level Examination Program once every month.

When the need is justified, proctors are needed to assist with the testing sessions. The proctors are employed for either one-half day or for a full day.

This notice is intended to advertise the proctor positions so that Marshall staff members with experience in proctoring tests and are interested in being considered for the testing sessions may formally apply. Please contact James Harless, director of admissions, if more information is desired.

NOTE: The tests are administered during the third week of each month, and the honorarium checks are normally available three to four months after the actual working day. The quarterly payment schedule is defined by the Educational Testing Program in Princeton, New Jersey.

Reminder to all faculty

Sabbatical leave application forms are available in the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, Room 110, Old Main. "Deadline for submitting requests to this office is Oct. 1, 1973," said Dr. William K. Easley.

Writing Clinic for students

Students in need of assistance in written composition should be encouraged by faculty members to obtain help in the English Department's Writing Clinic, according to Dr. A. M. Tyson, director of writing.

"Please send such students to me for referral to clinic instructors," said Tyson. The office is located in Room 316C, Old Main, and the telephone extension is 6618. Instruction will be by graduate assistants in English by individual appointment, and for as long a period as desired. There is no charge for this service.

Registrar's Office has position open

Applications are being accepted for the position of Identification Card Clerk in the Office of the Registrar. Person must be able to operate and maintain our Polaroid camera equipment as well as have typing ability. The person must also be able to meet and work well with the general public. Final salary based on qualifications and experience. Marshall University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

DR. MARVIN MILLS, associate professor of safety, is attending a two-day conference for the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health in Washington, D.C.

The purpose of the conference is to review research grants submitted by individuals, colleges, universities and other allied institutions. The conference members will evaluate the grants and approve or disapprove the requests.

DR. FRANK L. BINDER, assistant professor of biological sciences, is the co-author of a chapter entitled "The Fungal Host-Parasite Relationship," which appeared in the "1973 Annual Review of Phytopathology."

DR. DONALD C. TARTER, associate professor of biological sciences, conducted an inservice program entitled "Investigations in Aquatic Biology" for the high school biology teachers of Cabell County on Aug. 29.

DR. DERYL R. LEAMING, chairman of the journalism department, will appear on the WHTN-TV Noon News Show Tuesday, Sept. 18.

JAMES HARLESS, director of admissions, assisted the A.C.T. Testing Corporation in devising the new 1974 A.C.T. assessment testing program. Forty universities in the U.S. were involved in the research, and Marshall University was one of seven universities consulted in the eastern region to prepare the new A.C.T. assessment program.

Harless will be attending the special meeting Sept. 18-20 in Iowa City, Iowa, at the A.C.T. Corporation home office.

DR. BERNARD CLEVELAND, associate professor of social studies, has had an article entitled "Teaching Western Civilization" published in the spring issue of "Improving College and University Teaching."

DR. RALPH TAYLOR, assistant professor of biological sciences, has spoken to two groups recently on his area of specialization, herpetology. Dr. Taylor spoke to the Community Service Officers of Huntington and the graduating practical nurse class of the Huntington Vocational School. The presentation covered the identification of venomous snakes and care and treatment following snake bites.

JAMES HARLESS, director of admissions, conducted a professional training workshop for all new and old college-day representatives from all the colleges and universities in West Virginia.

The Road-Runner Conference was sponsored by the West Virginia Personnel and Guidance Association and the West Virginia Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers. The conference was held at the Parkersburg Community College Sept. 4.

DR. JAMES TAGGART, associate professor of music, has been chosen as the guest artist for the inaugural concert of the newly-formed Greenbrier County Arts and Humanities Council in Lewisburg, W. Va., on Sunday, Sept. 16, at 3 p.m.

Taggart, a pianist, will feature the works of Beethoven, Chopin and Debussy in his recital.

ORDER CALENDAR NOW

Doyle Carter of the receiving department reminds all faculty and staff members to send him information concerning your needs for 1974 desk calendars and refills. Specify size, make and quantity.

This information must be received no later than Oct. 1, 1973.

Magic Theatre presents...

The Magic Theatre film for this evening will be "Sometimes a Great Notion." The movie will be shown at 7:30 p.m. 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 each week prior to the movie or at the door on a first-come-first-served basis.

The Magic Theatre films are sponsored by the Student Activities Office, extension 6770.

Next Friday's film will be "Mary Queen of Scots."