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# News Letter

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## TYSON NAMED INTERIM VICE PRESIDENT

Dr. A. Mervin Tyson has been appointed interim vice president for academic affairs at Marshall University, effective Monday, Oct. 27, Marshall President Robert B. Hayes announced today.

Dr. William K. Easley, vice president for academic affairs since 1972, underwent major surgery in July and has been on extended leave since that time. "It does not appear that Dr. Easley's physical condition will permit him to return to his work," Hayes said. "In order to assure as long a period of recruitment as possible, the university will launch a search for a successor in the very near future."

Tyson currently is a professor of English and director of writing at Marshall, as well as coordinator of the university's institutional self-study project. He previously served as vice president for academic affairs, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and chairman of the Department of English.

"I am saddened that Dr. Easley does not believe his health will not permit him to return to his duties as vice president for academic affairs," Hayes said. "I will miss him both as a personal friend and as a strong administrator. At the same

time, I am gratified that a man of Dr. Tyson's experience and demonstrated abilities is available to move into the position on an interim basis while we conduct a search for a successor to Dr. Easley."

A native of Pennsylvania, Tyson has been at Marshall since 1959. He earned academic degrees from Gettysburg College, the University of Michigan and the University of Pennsylvania and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Before coming to Marshall he taught at Rider College in New Jersey and at Kutztown (Pa.) State College. He is active in the First United Methodist Church and is president of the Huntington Kiwanis Club.

Dr. Easley came to Marshall in August, 1972, from Winthrop College in Rock Hill, S.C., where he was dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. A former chemist for Tennessee Eastman Corp. and Chemstrand Corp., Easley has taught at the University of Arkansas, Carson-Newman College, Georgetown University, State College of Arkansas, East Tennessee State University and Northeast Louisiana University, where he was dean of the Graduate School.

## Wordsworth is due on campus next week

The great-great grandson of noted English poet William Wordsworth will visit Marshall University next week, according to Dr. M. O. Mitchell, chairman of the Department of English.

Richard Wordsworth, a veteran actor and lecturer, will present performances in Marshall's Old Main Auditorium on Thursday, Oct. 30, and Friday, Oct. 31. He also will participate in English classes, discussing drama and poetry.

Wordsworth's visit is being sponsored by the Department of English through a grant from the Marshall University Foundation as part of the Endowed Lectureship Program.

His performances will be at 11 a.m. on each of the two days. Thursday he will speak on "Poetry and Prose of the Wordsworth Circle," including readings from the works of William Wordsworth, Coleridge, Charles Lamb and Dorothy

Wordsworth. He will be introduced by Dr. Jack Brown, professor of English.

Richard Wordsworth the actor will appear Friday as the central figure in "An Interview with Thomas Jefferson." The costume presentation will include four Marshall speech students as interviewers, and Jefferson's answers will be taken from his own writings.

Dr. Mitchell said the Old Main Auditorium performances will be open to the public without charge, as well as to students and faculty members.

### *MU calendar on sale*

"Marshall Moments," an elaborate 1976 Marshall University calendar, has been published by the National Capital Area Chapter of the Marshall Alumni Association and now is available in Huntington.

James W. Slicer, president of the Washington, D.C.-area chapter, said the calendar was developed as a service to students, alumni and friends of Marshall. It sells for \$3 and proceeds will be turned over to the Marshall Foundation to underwrite the new Franklin Burdette Memorial Scholarship.

The calendar may be obtained through the Marshall Bookstore, several local stores, or by telephoning 523-2786. It also will be sold at athletic events.

### **MEETING OF FACULTY**

A general meeting of the faculty will be held at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28, in Old Main Auditorium.

The agenda as announced by President Robert B. Hayes follows:

1. General announcements.
2. United Way.
3. Successor for Dan Morris on the Student Center Board for a term ending in the spring of 1977.
4. The proposed University Senate.

Hayes said the meeting will be adjourned by 5 p.m. so faculty members can have sufficient time to prepare for their evening classes. If necessary, the session will be continued at another time.

# Faculty and staff achievements, activities...

DR. WAYNE G. TAYLOR, assistant professor of health, physical education and recreation, and MRS. OLIVE B. HAGER, assistant professor of health, physical education and recreation, and president of the West Virginia Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, attended the six-state Midwest Regional Workshop at Pokagen Park, Ind., Oct. 2-3. The workshop was designed to develop the framework for collecting and disseminating information relative to professional issues in health, physical education and recreation.

DR. ROBERT L. DINGMAN, associate professor of education, taught an elementary school staff development course through the Kanawha County Board of Education's in-service program on Oct. 11. His course, "Improving Human Relationships through Interpersonal Communication," was taught at Tiskelwah School in Charleston.

HAROLD T. MURPHY, associate professor of modern languages, recently was selected by the Board of Directors of the Southern Conference on Language Teaching (SCOLT) to be West Virginia chairman for the Conference. As chairman, he becomes a member of the SCOLT Advisory Board and is to foment interest in his state in innovative teaching techniques in the foreign language field.

DR. DAVID CUSICK, assistant professor of mathematics, spoke to the Mu Alpha Theta Club of Huntington High School on October 14 on the subject, "Mathematics of Interest." He also spoke at Winfield (W.Va.) High School on Oct. 16 on "Teaching Your Pocket Calculator Some New Tricks."

DR. STEVEN HATFIELD, associate professor of mathematics, has been informed that his article, "Can Computers Be Used Successfully for Teaching College Mathematics?", will appear in the Spring, 1976 issues of the Southern Journal of Educational Research.

DR. RAM N. SINGH, associate professor of sociology and anthropology, presented a paper, "A Comparison of West Virginia's Population Characteristics with the South Atlantic Division and the United States," at the West Virginia Geographic Education Association meeting on campus Oct. 4. The paper is to be published in a book, Readings in West Virginia and Appalachia, by Kendall Hunt Publishing Co. in December.

DR. TALMADGE HUSTON, Student Health Service physician, was accepted as a Fellow of the Academy of American Family Practitioners during a meeting of the group in Chicago, Ill., Oct. 6-10. His achievement represents 600 hours of post-doctoral studies.

DR. MARVIN D. MILLS, professor of occupational, adult and safety education, is attending a meeting of the Eastern Area (U.S.) Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Education and Training Council in San Juan, Puerto Rico. He is a member of the group's board of directors.

DR. ROBERT RAUS, head of the Recreation Division, Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, and DONNA LAWSON, assistant professor of health, physical education and recreation, attended the West Virginia Recreation and Parks Conference held in Parkersburg, Oct. 8-10.

DR. BILL K. GORDON, associate professor of education, conducted a seminar in "Clinical Supervision" at the West Virginia Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development's annual conference at the Downtown Holiday Inn, Oct. 12-14.

MARY MARSHALL, dance coordinator for the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, attended the fall conference of the Midwest Association for Physical Education of College Women in Ypsilanti, Mich., Oct. 13-14. She is a member of the group's Graduate Research Council.

DR. PATRICIA EISENMAN, director of the Human Performance Laboratory, attended the National YMCA

Consultation on Cardiovascular Health Symposium held in Chicago, Ill., Oct. 17-20, where she presided at a session entitled "The Y's Way to Slim Living."

THOMAS W. OLSON, assistant professor of engineering, attended the 1975 Ohio River Valley Soils Seminar on Slope Stability and Landslides held at the Drawbridge Inn, Fort Mitchell, Ky., on Oct. 17.

DR. WARREN W. WOODEN, associate professor of English, has been selected for inclusion in the 13th edition of The Dictionary of International Biography published by the International Biographical Centre, Cambridge, England.

DR. TROY STEWART, assistant professor of political science, and DR. ROBERT MADDOX, associate professor of history, attended a National Security Seminar at the George C. Marshall Research Foundation, Lexington, Va., Oct. 17-18.

RUTH McQUADE, instructor in sociology and anthropology, was elected secretary-treasurer of the West Virginia Undergraduate Social Work Association at its annual meeting at Fairmont State College on Oct. 17.

REGINALD SPENCER, coordinator of Career Planning and Placement, KEN BLUE, staff counselor, and RICHARD WAITE, director of Student Development and Health Services, attended a workshop of the Appalachian Education Laboratory, Gatlinburg, Tenn., Oct. 3-5.

## Concert is scheduled

The Marshall University A Cappella Choir and Brass Quintet will present a joint concert of ensemble music at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 29, in Smith Recital Hall. The concert is open to the public without admission charge.

Music to be performed by the choir will represent a wide selection of choral music styles, both sacred and secular. The Brass Quintet will perform works by Petzel, Bach, Maurer and Ueber.

## Gab Session Tuesday

The next Faculty Gab Session will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28, in the Presidents Dining Room of Memorial Student Center.

MU faculty members are invited to take advantage of the opportunity to hold informal discussions with President Hayes.

## New course is offered

A new special topics course, Contemporary Cultures of Latin America, will be offered at Marshall University during the spring semester.

Classes will meet on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 9 p.m. and will be taught by Charles F. Gruber, assistant professor of social studies. Advance registration for spring courses will be held Oct. 27-31.

Designated Social Studies 483 (583 for graduate credit), the 3-hour course will deal with Latin American cultures and societies on several levels in various locales. An interdisciplinary approach will be utilized by Gruber and guest lecturers, films, slides and discussions will be used to emphasize topics.

Additional information on the new course may be obtained from Gruber in Academic Building A 108 (696-6610 or 529-7844).

# Two-day conference opens here Sunday Page 3

The fourth annual West Virginia Counselors Conference in Higher Education will be held Sunday and Monday, Oct. 26-27, at Marshall University's Memorial Student Center.

Between 60 and 80 professionals in the counseling field in West Virginia are expected to attend, according to Kenneth E. Blue, member of the Marshall counseling service staff and program coordinator for the conference. Participants will include counselors at the high school and college levels, as well as representatives of various social service agencies.

The conference theme will be "Occupational and Career Planning: Setting Some Realistic Objectives."

The event will open Sunday at 6:30 p.m. with registration. The first general session will begin at 7:30.

Dr. Manford A. Sonstegard, professor of counseling and psychological services at the West Virginia College of Graduate

Studies, will be the principal speaker Sunday evening and will discuss "Adlerian Therapy."

Several smaller group sessions are scheduled for Monday, beginning at 8:45 a.m. and ending at 3:15 p.m. Discussion leaders from Marshall include Dr. Lawrence Barker, chairman of the Counseling and Rehabilitation Department; Dr. Bill Gordon, associate professor of education; James W. Harless, director of admissions; Dr. Carolyn Karr, associate professor of social studies, and Dr. David Duke, assistant professor of history.

## Language arts confab expected to draw 300

Between 250 and 300 teachers from the region are expected to attend the annual Language Arts Conference at Marshall University on Saturday.

The program is sponsored by Marshall's Department of English in cooperation with the West Virginia English Association and the State Department of Education. It will deal with the teaching of language arts on various instructional levels, according to Dr. A. Mervin Tyson, director of writing at Marshall and chairman of the arrangements committee.

The morning-long conference will be held in Memorial Student Center with registration at 8:30 a.m. and breakfast at 8:45 a.m. Dr. Allan A. Glatthorn of the University of Pennsylvania, a nationally-recognized authority on writing, will deliver the keynote address, "The Language of the Classroom." He will be introduced by Elizabeth Nichols, chairperson of the Huntington High School Language Arts Department.

Group discussions will follow the keynote address.

### C-R-U-N-C-H I

In view of the energy crunch which includes the high cost and low supply of gasoline, we are instructing the university's bus drivers not to make a bus trip if the number of passengers is less than 22. We ask all departments scheduling out-of-town field trips of any sort to make absolutely certain that the number of people going on the bus trip is 22 or more.

Joseph S. Soto, Director  
Physical Plant Operations

## Graduate Council's meetings summarized

Following are summaries of Graduate Council meetings held Oct. 1 and Oct. 8, 1975:

OCT. 1—Approved English 571, Linguistics for Elementary School Teachers, 3 hours.

Approved Associate Graduate Faculty status for Edwina Pendarvis for the second semester to teach a course for the gifted.

The Dean reported a very small variation in undergraduate quality point average of accepted graduate students between the earlier period of restricted admissions and the present admissions policy.

OCT. 8—Graduate enrollment of 2,563 was reported, an increase of 12.6 per cent. There was a 30 per cent increase in full time graduate students and an FTE increase of 21.48 per cent.

### Recruitment schedule...

The Office of Career Planning and Placement has announced the following recruitment schedule for graduating seniors and graduate students:

MONDAY, Oct. 27—Lever Brothers, positions in management, marketing, business administration, in Portsmouth, Ohio, area only; The Kroger Co., Salem, Va., positions as store management trainees; West Virginia University School of Law, interviews for prospective students.

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY, Oct. 28-29—Touche Ross & Co., Louisville, Ky., accounting staff positions.

The Dean was directed to prepare and recommend guidelines to Department chairmen concerned with graduate assistants that would:

1. Distinguish between experienced and inexperienced persons;
2. Establish minimum compensation;
3. Recommend 20 hours or its equivalent for full time duty;
4. Graduate assistants should be categorized as full time or half time assistants, and,
5. The departments with graduate assistants having regular teaching duties develop some programs and supervision to give assistance in the teaching duties of the graduate assistants.

The following Speech Department courses were approved:

Speech 675-676, Seminar, 1-3 hours; Speech 677-678, Special Topics, 1-3 hours; Speech 504, Advanced Play Direction, 3 hours; Speech 534, Radio, Television and Society, 3 hours; Speech 538, Instructional Television Utilization, 3 hours, and Speech 606, Studies in Communication Theory, 3 hours.

Submitted by:  
Dr. Paul D. Stewart  
Dean, Graduate School

## 5 in Journalism Dept. conduct workshop

Five Marshall University Department of Journalism faculty members conducted a day-long series of yearbook and newspaper workshops Oct. 4 at a regional conference of the United High School Press Association (UHSPA) at Nitro (W.Va.) High School.

Approximately 110 teachers and students from eight high

schools participated, according to Dr. Deryl R. Leaming, chairman of the Department of Journalism.

Co-sponsored by the department and the journalism teachers and staffs of Nitro and Herbert Hoover high schools, the conference was the second this fall under the regular program provided by UHSPA. Public school teachers received six hours of in-service credit for their participation.

MU workshop topics and their directors included "Modern Newspaper Design" by Ralph J. Turner; "Yearbook Design" by Leaming; "Yearbook Theme" by Wallin S. McCardell; "Yearbook Copy, Headlines and Cutlines" by Barbara H. Murdock, and "Photo Editing" by George Arnold Jr., UHSPA director.

## Dr. Paul W. Whear wins his 10th ASCAP Award

For the 10th consecutive year, Dr. Paul W. Whear of the Marshall University music faculty has been selected for the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) Award.

In addition to serving as a professor of music at Marshall, Dr. Whear is composer-in-residence.

ASCAP's annual cash awards are granted by an independent panel and are based on the "unique prestige value of each writer's catalog and the performances of his compositions," according to Stanley Adams, ASCAP president.

Dr. Whear holds nine prizes in national composition competition and has received commissions to write more than a dozen works. His Bicentennial music epic, "The Chief Justice," was performed for the first time last April before a Marshall University audience. The work is a tribute to Chief Justice John Marshall, for whom the university was named.

### *Basketball tickets available*

Season tickets for faculty and staff and their families to attend Marshall University "home" basketball games are available at \$22.75 each. All children, regardless of age, must have a ticket.

Previous holders of season tickets have until Nov. 1 to place their orders and retain seating priority. After that date, seat locations will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.

Tickets and additional information may be obtained by visiting the Athletic Ticket Office, Gullickson Hall 115, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily.

## *Accountants' dinner set*

Robert J. Pauley, CPA, president of the West Virginia Society of Certified Public Accountants and partner in the firm of Somerville and Co., will be the featured speaker for the annual Public Relations Dinner Meeting sponsored by Huntington Chapter 61, American Society of Women Accountants.

The meeting will be held at the new Downtown Holiday Inn at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18. Social hour begins at 6:30 p.m. Cost of the session is \$8.50 per person and reservations must be made by Nov. 15, 1975, by writing Janice Edwards, P.O. Box 1236, Huntington, W.Va., or calling 525-0301. Any interested person may attend.

## **Excused absences...**

Excused absences have been approved by the respective colleges and-or the Graduate School for the following students on the dates listed:

Oct. 14—Steve Nantz, Rick Haye and Melanie Ague.

Oct. 17—Football squad.

Oct. 22-24—Colleen Holliday, Patti Williamson, Jean Morris and Roberta Stuck.

Oct. 23—Robert Leete, Danny King, David King, Nancy Benton and Ronald G. Smith.

## **WVU author-educator is speaker for series**

Dr. Neil A. Palomba, author and chairman of the West Virginia University Department of Economics, will speak on "The Future of the U.S. Economy—and What It Means to West Virginia" at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28, in Memorial Student Center Room 2W22.

Palomba's presentation is the first in the 1975-76 Distinguished Economics Lecture Series, sponsored by the Marshall University Department of Economics.

The local chapter of Omicron Delta Epsilon, economics honorary society, will host a refreshment period beginning at 1:30 p.m.

The lecture is open to all MU faculty, staff, students and the public at no admission charge.