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Insurance participation tops 87 per cent

The insurance plan for all state employees has been accepted by 87.5 per cent of the 873 Marshall employees eligible, according to Charles Evans, director of personnel.

Only 109 persons or 12.5 per cent rejected the plan which includes basic hospitalization, major medical, accidental death and dismemberment, and life insurance coverage.

"The persons who chose to participate in the plan felt it was an advantage to them. It is," said Evans, "since the state pays 70 per cent of the cost of the premium and the employee pays 30 per cent."

According to the payroll office, the premium deduction will be reflected in the paycheck received this week.

WMUL presents...

The first of a series of musical programs featuring members of the Marshall University Music Department will be aired Dec. 4 by WMUL Radio, Station Manager Dean Sturm announced.

The performances will be part of the "Musical Masterworks" program, broadcast Monday through Friday from 1:05 p.m. to 3 p.m.

The Dec. 4 concert will feature Patricia Green, violin, and Harriett Tucker, piano.

Other performances featuring Marshall musicians:
- Dec. 6, Theodore Heger, oboe, and James Taggart, piano;
- Dec. 11, J. D. Folsom, trumpet, and Robert Wolff, organ;
- Dec. 13, Alfred Lanegger, violin, viola, and William Davidson, piano;
- Dec. 15, Symphonic Choir concert;
- Dec. 18, A Capella Choir concert;
- Dec. 20, Opera Workshop;
- Dec. 21, Symphonic Wind Ensemble concert;
- Dec. 22, Choral Union Christmas concert.

Another highlight will be the Dec. 8 broadcast of the Huntington Musical Arts Guild's performance of "The Creation" by Haydn.

TAX SHELTERED ANNUITIES

Those members of the faculty and staff who wish to make adjustments in their Tax Sheltered Annuities need to make this change before Dec. 15, 1972, according to Charles Evans, director of personnel.

Those members who wish to begin participating in the Tax Sheltered Plan should complete their forms prior to December 15, 1972.

If you will contact Roger Hesson in the Payroll Department, Room 201, Old Main, or Fred R. Smith in the Personnel Office, Room 108, Old Main, they will have the necessary forms and will assist you.

No News Letter

Official University holidays for Thanksgiving are Thursday and Friday, Nov. 23 and 24. There will be no newsletter that week.

Alumni to meet

Marshall University alumni from Mason, Meigs and Gallia counties will hold their first meeting tonight, highlighted by a dance and cocktail party.

An alumni group spokesman said the dance is open to the public and will begin at 9:30 p.m. at the Point Pleasant Moose Hall, with music provided by "The Group," a Huntington band.

A cocktail party for alumni will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Moose Hall, followed by dinner and a general business meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Marshall President John G. Barker will be the guest of honor and will be accompanied by university representatives and members of the Alumni Association board of directors.

The Tri-County chapter is one of several alumni groups being formed in West Virginia and Ohio.

Faculty book reviews

Interested in writing book reviews?

Through an arrangement with the Huntington Herald-Adviser, the Office of Informational Services has a limited number of new books available to be reviewed by members of the Marshall faculty.

Here's how it works:

If you think you might be interested, drop by the Office of Informational Services, Main 115, and look over the selection. If you see anything you might like to review, it's yours--on a first-come, first-served basis. After reading a book, you'll prepare a review of same and send it along to James E. Casto, Book Page editor of the Herald-Adviser. Most reviews probably can be handled in a couple of double-spaced, typewritten pages. Major books can be allotted more space, however.

And what do you get out of it?

Well, first you get the book to keep for your own library. Second, and perhaps more important, you will have another entry in your listing of publications.

If it works out, Casto will keep a steady supply of books flowing our way.
**Guest card a must!!**

Any Marshall faculty member may use facilities in the Memorial Student Center by presenting his ID card. However, if a faculty member is accompanied by a member of his family or a friend, a guest card must be obtained at the main desk in the Student Center lobby.

**LECTURE SERIES**

West Virginia Northern Community College has scheduled a series of five lectures by authorities in the community college movement during the current academic year. The program is being provided for faculty, administration and students of the college, as well as for invited personnel from other academic institutions.

The lecture series, being offered at the Wheeling Campus of West Virginia Northern Community College, will feature Dr. John Andes, a member of the Educational Administration faculty at West Virginia University, on Friday, Dec. 1. His topic will be “The Community College Student.” Andes will discuss the characteristics of the student, transfer-success, admissions, withdrawals and more.

Andes has published many articles and produced many monographs. Among his publications are included “Due Process for Junior College Students in Academic & Discipline Cases” and Designing Policies Covering Student Activities.”

Marshall University personnel have been invited to attend the programs, according to Dr. William K. Easley, Marshall vice president for academic affairs.

**City Directories**

The new Huntington City Directories for office telephones can be picked up in the mail room. Please note that the new number for reaching information (local directory assistance) is 411.

**Students excused**

Please excuse the following students from classes Tuesday, Nov. 21, to visit the drug center at Lexington, Ky.: Tyrone Collins, Jim King, Steve Mullins, Gordon Ray, Floyd Thomas and Lynn Wilson.

**More students excused**

Please excuse the following students from all classes today to attend the West Virginia Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation meeting in Charleston: Hugh Campbell, Robert Edwards, Garner G. Mann, James Hall Baker, William Perdue and Don Prola.

**Steam room hours**

The steam room in Gullickson Hall has been changed from athletic supervision to recreation supervision. According to Larry Belknap, director of recreation and intramurals, the hours for the steam room will be as follows: Mondays through Thursdays, noon to 10 p.m.; Fridays, noon to 6 p.m.; Saturdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sundays 1 to 9 p.m.

**Latin American course offered**

A new course dealing with political and social Latin America will be offered by Marshall's department of social studies during the second semester.

The course, “Change and Revolution in Central Latin America,” will be taught Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 11 a.m. Charles F. Gruber, assistant professor of social studies, will be the instructor.

Social Studies 483 will deal chiefly with the 20th Century, particularly the period since 1945 to the present. It will include the disciplines of anthropology, political sciences, economics and history.

Gruber, who has studied and traveled in Central America, has been a participant in the Institute on Social Revolution in Latin America, which was sponsored by the Regional Council for International Education.

The course will be open to all students of sophomore and higher rank.

**Directory change**

In the new Faculty-Staff Directory Dr. Taylor Turner’s office number is listed incorrectly as M 319. Should read: Turner, Dr. Taylor E. MB 19 2368 Assoc. Prof. Educ. + Dr. Reading Center

**Announcement for students**

University Honors 196H, Section 6600, will meet from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesday evenings instead of 11 to 12:15 Tuesdays and Thursdays as listed in the new Schedule of Courses book, according to Larry TenHarmsel, director of University Honors.

The meeting place will be the Honors Lounge in Northcott Hall, Room 209.

**Pitt in highway accident**

W. Page Pitt, retired professor of journalism, and his wife, Virginia, were involved in a serious highway accident Nov. 9 at Lake City, Tenn., when an out-of-control automobile transport tractor-trailer struck the rear of their car, catapulting it into several other cars. Fortunately, however, they suffered no serious injuries although the car was a total loss. They were able to resume their trip to their winter home near Stuart, Florida. “We are happy and navigating, but are sure we will be finding aches and pains and damaged personal effects for some time to come,” Prof. Pitt wrote friends on campus this week.

**Fund established**

Mrs. Patricia Darlene Gain, 32 of 4 Wildwood Lane, died Tuesday in a Huntington hospital. She was the wife of Dr. Ronald E. Gain, assistant professor of biological sciences at Marshall. Funeral services were scheduled for today at Monroe-Copher Funeral Home at Milford, Ohio, with burial to be in Greenlawn Cemetery there.

Survivors, in addition to her husband, include two sons and a daughter.

A special fund is being established in Mrs. Gain’s memory. Contributions may be made to the fund in lieu of flowers by contacting the Marshall Biology Department, Science Building Room 215 B, telephone 3148.
Dr. William F. Ferguson and Dr. Harold E. Lewis, assistant professors of curriculum and instruction, presented talks to mathematics teacher workshops in the area.

Dr. Jerry Fields, assistant professor of mathematics, and Dr. W. Thurmont Whitley, assistant professor of mathematics, attended the annual meeting of the American Academy of Safety and Research Section of the National Safety Council meeting in Chicago Oct. 5. The conference was attended by approximately 12,000 persons.

Dr. Mills attended the conference and was elected secretary of the Higher Education and Research Section of the National Safety Council. He was also appointed to the membership committee of the American Academy of Safety and Research Section of the National Safety Council.

Dr. Mills attended a safety curriculum evaluation committee meeting in Charleston Nov. 9. This committee was formed last year by the State Department of Education to develop safety program guides for West Virginia public schools--grades kindergarten through 12. Approximately 30 West Virginia schools will be using this group's proposed program on an experimental study basis this year. By September 1973 the curriculum guides will be placed in all West Virginia public schools, said Mills.

Dr. Mills met in Charleston Nov. 10 with the West Virginia Council on Alcohol Use and Abuse which is developing a program to meet the needs of persons with alcoholic problems. The committee will be making their recommendations on a continuing basis to appropriate state bodies.

Dr. Reginald Spencer, coordinator of career planning and placement, attended the national convention of ASCUS (Association of School, College and University Staffing) in Atlanta, Georgia, Oct. 17-20. The association is organized to serve in teacher placement at different educational levels. Marshall has been an active member of the association for many years.

Dr. William Ferguson and Dr. Ralph E. Obrey, assistant professors of mathematics, participated in the first session of a two-part AAAS-NSF (American Astronomical Society, National Science Foundation) Short Course on Holography. The course was held at Tuscon Woods State Park north of Oxford, Ohio, Nov. 2 and 3.

Dr. Richard Whitley, assistant professor of mathematics, spoke to students at Jackson Junior High School, Vienna, W. Va., Nov. 9 on the topic "What is Topology?"

Dr. Betty Roberts, assistant professor of physical education, recently conducted a "movement education workshop" at the November meeting of the Huntington Association of Parents and Teachers Under Six. The program centered around activities for children of four years of age.

Dr. Richard Waite, director of the Marshall University Association of Graduates, presented talks to Wayne County teachers on the subject "Why Study Mathematics?" Dr. Fields spoke to Cabell County teachers on the subject "Advanced Placement in Mathematics at Marshall University." Dr. Whitley spoke to Lincoln County teachers on the topic "Human Resources in Education."