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Vital Issues

Nitzschke warns of elitism in current education trends



By Deborah B. Smith
Special Correspondent

Restricted access to higher education is something President Dale F. Nitzschke fears may result from the federal and state governments' attitudes toward higher education.

As the first speaker in the spring series of the Vital Issues Program, Nitzschke said that higher education administrators and educators must convince legislators that education is one investment with which they should not tamper.

"We will literally take higher education out of the reach of hundreds of thousands of individuals, mostly the poor and minorities," Nitzschke said of student aid cuts proposed by the Reagan administration.

By 1990, groups that are now minorities in four major U.S. cities will be in the majority. One goal of higher education must be to ensure that these people are adequately educated to govern, Nitzschke said.

Legislators have responded favorably in the past few years to criticism of the quality of elementary and secondary education in the United States presented in reports such as "A Nation at Risk." Nitzschke said he hopes for a similar reaction to two recent reports critical of higher education.

One area of concern is the attitude of the West Virginia Legislature

toward higher education, a problem which is reflected in its economic commitments in recent years, Nitzschke said.

"There is no way we can continue on our present course in terms of funding and pull out of the depth to which higher education has fallen," Nitzschke said.

The chaotic state of the undergraduate liberal arts curriculum at many institutions of higher education is another major problem outlined in the reports, Nitzschke said. He suggested that a major overhaul of the undergraduate curriculum may be necessary to ensure that graduates have the solid liberal arts background they need.

To produce graduates that are articulate and adaptable, emphasis must be placed on basic fundamentals, Nitzschke said.

Although changing the economic attitudes of legislators and overhauling the curriculum are areas of concern, Nitzschke said educators had little direct control in deciding what constituted a quality education.

He said the decision-making process concerning the quality of higher education has been taken out of the hands of educators. In addition, educators have failed to convince legislators that higher education priorities are an absolute necessity.

Graduate student seeks legal help in grade appeal

The grade appeal process at Marshall University is excellent and affords students and faculty every opportunity to be heard, President Dale F. Nitzschke said Tuesday.

But at least one Marshall student disagrees with him.

Lynn Washington, Charleston graduate student, is appealing two C's she received in graduate courses, while her mother is protesting an unwritten university policy that keeps her and her daughter's attorney from attending the hearings.

The student claims she cannot receive her masters degree in speech therapy unless B's are substituted for the two lower grades. She was unavailable Tuesday for comment.

A hearing of Washington's grade disagreement was scheduled for last week, according to Dr. Alan B.

Gould, dean of the College of Liberal Arts. However, Washington refused to participate in the hearing when her mother and attorney were denied entrance to the proceedings, he said. Another hearing is scheduled for next week.

Gould said the attorney and family members were denied admittance to the session because university officials consider this a private matter and have traditionally taken the position that people outside the university should be kept out.

Nitzschke said, "Much of what we can or cannot do in delivering quality education depends on our relationship with the legal system."

When those from the legal system challenge that students need attorneys during the grade appeal process, it becomes confrontational," he said.

According to an Associated Press story, Washing-

ton's mother, Geraldine, said she wanted the lawyer to attend the session because her daughter has been a victim of racial discrimination by several Marshall staff members.

Speech and hearing center faculty have been advised not to comment on this matter.

"I don't think they (Washington's attorney or family) could have said anything during the meeting even if they had been allowed in," Gould said. "This concerns the individual student."

University policy requires the Grade Appeal Committee to prepare a list of recommendations as to steps it believes the Academic Planning and Standards Committee should take concerning grade disputes. Any decision reached by the Academic Planning and Standards Committee must then be approved by Nitzschke, Gould said.

Move to abolish BOR not likely in 1985 Legislature

By Deborah B. Smith
Special Correspondent

A bill designed to abolish the Board of Regents will not be reintroduced in the 1985 Legislative session, according to Delegate Kenneth H. Riffle, D-Harrison, chief sponsor of three previous legislative efforts to do away with the BOR form of administration.

"I have talked with the co-sponsors of the bill and we have decided to give

Dr. Ginsberg (BOR chancellor) a chance to see what he can do," Riffle said Friday.

Dr. Leon H. Ginsberg became chancellor of the BOR June 1 after serving as Commissioner of Human Services for Gov. Jay Rockefeller from 1977 to 1984. Riffle said he thought the BOR had taken a better direction since Ginsberg took over in the summer.

"The BOR situation is more settled

now and we have no plans to reintroduce the bill to abolish the BOR, at least in the 1985 session," Riffle said.

Riffle proposed the bill in the Legislature last session in an attempt to abolish the BOR on the grounds it spent too much money and had failed in carrying out its tasks.

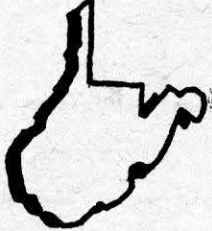
Marshall students and faculty members voiced their opposition to the proposed legislation last year at a pub-

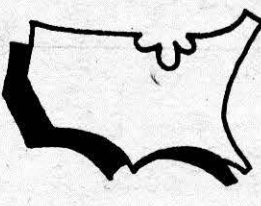
lic hearing of the House Education Committee. If it had passed, the bill would have turned over the functions of the BOR to an assistant to the state superintendent of schools.

Riffle is now head of Subcommittee D, which has direct oversight of the BOR account as part of the Finance Committee. Members of this subcommittee assess BOR budget requests and make recommendations to the Finance Committee, Riffle said.

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County puts freeze on hiring, spending

HUNTINGTON — The Cabell County Commission has issued a freeze on hiring and spending "except that which is essential to maintain county government."

The commission said the freeze, ordered Monday, is the result of financial problems that began when the county jail was placed in federal receivership in 1979.

The county budget still has not recovered from the yearly costs of upgrading the jail to standards set by the federal court, the commissioners said.

"The federal court has imposed a higher standard on our jail than anywhere else in the country," said commission attorney William T. Watson.

"What we need to do is to get it back to where we're meeting constitutional standards but don't have to be the most elite jail in the country, because we just can't afford it."

The commissioners said the county budget is \$130,000 in the hole because of the jail and a variety of other reasons, including the spending of \$30,000 to help run the county-owned Veteran's Memorial Field House, and \$15,000 to start a water system in the Merrick's Creek area.

Two children burn to death

BLUEFIELD — A sleeping toddler and her infant brother, left alone for 10 minutes, died in a house fire that began at a portable heater being used because their parents couldn't afford gas payments, officials say.

Their mother, Sherry Lanell Davis, said she left the house briefly Monday afternoon, fetching water to bathe and feed her children because the pipes had frozen in her home, said Bluefield Police Sgt. Michael Poe.

She returned to find the house aflame, he said.

"I don't think she can really grasp what's happened so far," he said Monday night.

The bodies of Donald Tyrone Davis Jr., 3 and one half months old, and Tacarra Chenel Davis, 2 and one half years old, were found wrapped in blankets on the living room couches where they were left sleeping about 3 p.m., said city Fire Chief Richard Poe.

Mercer County Medical Examiner Gopal Pardasini said the children died of smoke inhalation and burns.

Dallas looks to Wheeling for prospective policemen

WHEELING — Dallas officials, stymied by a lack of unemployment in their own city, are going shopping in West Virginia for future police officers.

A police department recruiting team is due in Wheeling next month and also will visit Pittsburgh and Johnstown, Pa., said Dallas police department investigator and recruiter Cheryl Schaller.

Ms. Schaller said Wheeling is being targeted "simply because of the unemployment rate."

With an unemployment rate averaging about 3 percent, the Dallas police department finds it difficult to fill vacancies, Ms. Schaller said. Those who qualify and already live in Dallas usually can find jobs that pay better than the starting salary of \$21,960, forcing the department to go out-of-state, she said.

Ethical standards obeyed says Meese

WASHINGTON — Attorney General-designate Edwin Meese III said today his investigation by an independent counsel "left no stone unturned" and declared he has adhered to ethical standards governing the conduct of public officials.

Meese appeared before the Senate Judiciary Committee one day after his attorney confirmed that ethics investigators had concluded the presidential counselor had violated ethics rules. That conclusion was kept secret by the investigators' boss, a Reagan appointee.

Without specifically addressing that in his prepared testimony, Meese noted that independent counsel Jacob A. Stein had concluded last fall there was no basis to prosecute him on a variety of allegations — particularly any role he played in helping those who aided him financially in obtaining federal jobs.

Stein took no position on whether Meese violated ethical standards.

Today, Meese told the committee, "I have conducted myself in accordance to the ethical as well as the legal standards of behavior for public officials."

Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., said he and other committee Democrats were insisting that a copy of the report by the two investigators from the Office of Government Ethics be made available to the panel and to the public.

Uninvited guest arrested at White House Inaugural

WASHINGTON — A man who "just wanted to see the ceremony" followed the Marine Band into the White House for President Reagan's Jan. 20 inaugural and was arrested on the State Floor of the executive mansion less than two hours before Reagan took the oath, the White House acknowledged today.

Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater denied that the intruder, Robert Latta of Denver, was arrested in the first family's private dining room in the upstairs residential quarters, as had been reported.

In an interview with the AP, Latta said, "I just walked in with the band. I just had my hat and coat on."

But Latta, who was released on \$1,000 bond after spending eight days in jail on a misdemeanor charge of unlawful entry, said, "I really think that the penalty was a little unjustified, for the reason that I did it and everything."

Richie beats Prince 6-3

LOS ANGELES — Prince led with 10 nominations but Lionel Richie outpolled him at the 12th annual American Music Awards to win six awards while Prince, star of the movie "Purple Rain," got three.

"I cannot believe it," said Richie, who was host of the show.

Richie had previously won seven of the awards. Kenny Rogers won three trophies on Monday's nationally broadcast show, making him the all-time American Music Awards champion with a total of 16.

Tina Turner, Anne Murray, Cyndi Lauper and the Pointer Sisters picked up two awards apiece during the three-hour ABC program. Other winners were Huey Lewis and the News, Daryl Hall and John Oates, Alabama, Barbara Mandrell and Willie Nelson.

One faces death in priest's murder

TORUN, Poland — A government prosecutor said today that a secret police captain organized the slaying of a pro-Solidarity priest and told the court he should be sentenced to death.

But the prosecutor said the trial testimony showed no top Interior Ministry officials were involved in the slaying.

Prosecutor Leszek Pietrasinski said three secret police officers carried out premeditated murder in the abduction and death of the Rev. Jerzy Popieluszko and called for 25-year prison sentences for two lieutenants who were subordinates of Capt. Grzegorz Piotrowski.

The prosecutor also urged a 25-year sentence for Col. Adam Pietruszko, charged with aiding and abetting the three officers in carrying out the October slaying.

Testimony has shown "that in fact there were no higher-ups involved," said Pietrasinski, chief government prosecutor in the trial of four police officers charged in the slaying of Popieluszko, a popular priest and an outspoken supporter of the trade union Solidarity.

The prosecutor's statement was the clearest indication so far that no more government or Interior Ministry officials will be charged in the case.

Famine could get worse without more relief aid

NAIROBI, Kenya — Food production in 21 African countries hardest hit by famine dropped 13 percent last year and "exceptional measures" are needed to avert more starvation deaths, the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization said today.

"Less than half of the known pledges of food to the affected countries have so far been delivered and it is essential that steps be taken to expedite" shipments, said the latest report of the FAO Global Information and Early Warning system, released here.

Overall, 1984 cereal production in the 21 countries was estimated at 22.7 million metric tons, representing a 13 percent fall from the already drought-reduced output of the previous year and 20 percent below the annual average of the previous five years.

"FAO considers the problems to be most acute in Chad, Ethiopia, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Niger and Sudan," it said.

Education cuts mean no degree for Thatcher

LONDON — Oxford University, ancient training ground of Britain's elite, refused to grant Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher an honorary degree Thursday because her government has cut funds for education and research.

The vote of 738-319 by the Congregation, Oxford's parliament of professors, tutors, fellows and administrators, makes Thatcher the first Oxford-educated prime minister in postwar years to be refused an honorary degree.

Mrs. Thatcher's office replied coldly that she was honored the university where she once studied chemistry had considered her for the degree in civil law, but "if they don't wish to confer the honor, she is the last person to wish to receive it."

The Congregation's vote on honorary degrees is usually a formality.

Opinion

Shortcuts on the way around campus

If you want to make a sure-win bet, place your money on Frank "Gunner" Gatski making the Marshall Hall of Fame next fall.

It was a source of some embarrassment that Gatski made it into the National Football Hall of Fame a couple of weeks ago. The irony is that Gatski wasn't among the first inductees last football season.

A source in the Athletic Department said the situation will be taken care of next fall. Translated that means Gunner's a sure shot next fall. He sure has enough prerequisites.

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Athletic coaches aren't the only ones who do recruiting for Marshall. As a matter of fact, James Harless, director of admissions, might be one of the busiest of all.

Harless visits about 250 high schools a year, he said recently. This year the work is apparently paying dividends. He said he expects the number of high school seniors

applying to MU to be up from last year's total.

He is particularly pleased with this, especially since the graduating class in West Virginia expected to be down about 5 percent.

Harless gives a lot of the credit to the Search Committee on Recruitment of Excellent Students (SCORES) and the Hi-Q programs on campus. The latter brought more than 2,000 high school students to campus last spring.

The positive change in the football program is a factor, he said, pointing out that in high school the football players are often leaders of the student body.

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Can there be a student with a more brutal schedule than Randy Gawthrop? The Grafton senior has six classes on Mondays and Wednesdays. That puts him in classes from 8 a.m. until 3:15 p.m.



Leskie
Pinson

Gawthrop, who has a 21-hour class load, said he needs the schedule in order to graduate this spring.

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There's a cruel irony to Don Turney and Sam Ervin leaving the basketball team at the same time. In the future those two players will probably be spoken of in the same breath, thought of in the same context.

Nothing could be further from the truth.

Our Readers Speak

Bogus flyer on Lambda Society 'juvenile, disgusting'

To the Editor:

After reading the flyer posted on campus supposedly published by the Lambda Society, I promptly tore it down, trampled it, and will continue to do so.

I find it thoroughly juvenile and disgusting that people could devote so much time to concocting trash such as "...Establish multilateral relations among members, as well as young neighborhood children and animals."

Surely if these people possessed more maturity they could find better things to do with their time, such as studying?

Does this new organization threaten these "kids" sexually so much that they feel they must make a gross mockery of a sincere effort of a group to organize? Who are they to judge the morals of others? Better that these juvenile jokers spend time examining their own insecurities

and, if possible, expanding their minds.

God loves us all, and I thank Him that I was able to spend time on the West Coast, to grow and accept that people are unique and have the right to express love and compassion in their individual way.

I hope that during their college years, these people who are obsessed with slandering others, realize that it is wrong to mock or condemn others because they are different,

Mrs. Erin Bozic,
Huntington senior

Letters Policy

The Parthenon welcomes letters concerning the Marshall University community. All letters to the editor must be signed and include the address and telephone number of the author

Additional lighting should be a priority

Throughout last semester and during the summer months, notable physical improvements were made on campus. Most significant of these are the upgrading of existing sidewalks, the addition of more walkways and the expansion of campus lighting.

Through these efforts Marshall is now more accessible to the disabled and the additional lighting has made campus less vulnerable to vandalism. All those involved in making the improvements possible — President Nitzschke, members of the Physical Facilities and Planning Committee and others — are to be commended.

But the campus is not yet out of the dark. Improvements still need to be implemented, most notably in the area of campus lighting. We encourage the installation of additional lighting in the following areas:

- Along walkway from Jenkins Hall along the intramural field toward Old Main;
- Lower sidewalk between Memorial Student Center and James E. Morrow Library;
- Between main campus entrance on Hal Greer Boulevard and Old Main;
- Along sidewalk directly in front of the Science Building annex.

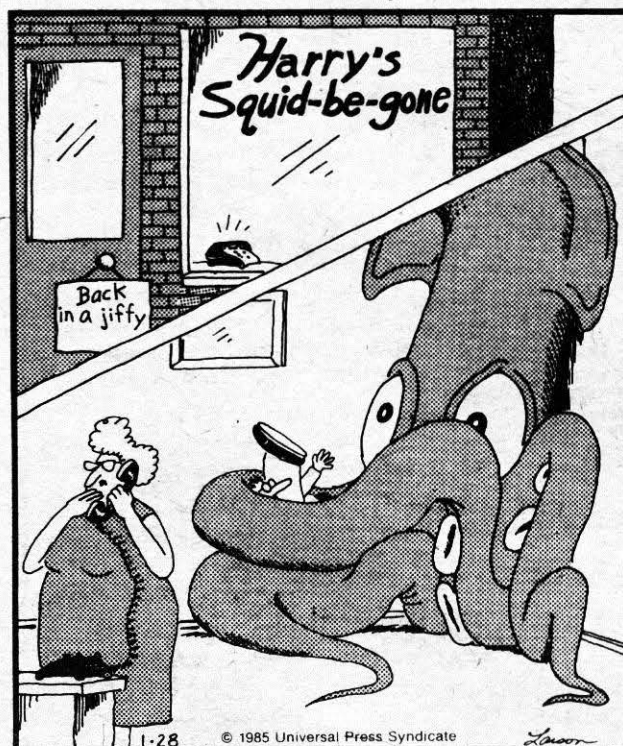
The lighting is far from adequate in these areas. Granted, there has recently been construction in many of these places and perhaps they have not been completely renovated. But the administration must be committed to seeing that these areas receive the needed lighting.

Also, lighting in selected parking areas needs to be upgraded, with immediate attention given to Area T where no lighting exists. Other parking areas in need of more lighting are Area A across from Henderson Center, where the university demolished a house to expand the area; and the corner section of Area W bordering 19th Street and Sixth Avenue.

Students who pay to park in these areas deserve the security of a well-lighted parking lot, not only for their protection but for the protection of their automobiles. We are certain the administration will agree that a few additional street lamps are not too much to ask to ensure a safer environment for Marshall University.

THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



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Campus Angle

Marshall not immune to money-oriented students

By Richard Sullivan
Staff Writer

A random survey indicates Marshall students are just as money-conscious as their counterparts in colleges and universities surveyed in a recently released nationwide study.

A national survey of more than 180,000 students in 345 colleges and universities across the nation shows that among the reasons students are attending college, "to be able to make more money" ranks higher this year than ever before.

The survey published in the Herald-Dispatch, "The American Freshman: National Norms for Fall 1984," was conducted by the Univer-

sity of California at Los Angeles and the American Council on Education, a higher education lobbying organization based in Washington, D.C.

In an unscientific random telephone sampling of Marshall students' reasons for attending college, a higher income potential was "very important" to a majority of the respondents.

But the number one reason for furthering education cited in both surveys was the desire of students to become knowledgeable in their respective fields of study.

"The reason I'm going to school is I want to further my education," one Point Pleasant sophomore said. "I want to better myself. I'm obviously

not in it for the money, because I'm going into teaching."

"A higher income is not my highest priority," said Charleston junior Jean Ann Cook. "On a scale of one to 10, I'd rank it five."

A number of Marshall respondents, however, ranked increased earning power as the biggest single factor that brought them to college.

Darlene Templeton, Huntington junior, said a higher income "is very important to me—probably the most important reason" for attending college. "That, and to gain information in my field."

According to the national study, 22.2 percent of the freshmen surveyed are planning careers in business, up from 20.4 percent last year

and 11.6 percent in 1966, the first year of the study.

Also in the study, more students identified themselves as "liberal" or "far left" than "conservative" or "far right." In both surveys, more students called themselves "moderate" than any other label.

The same was the case in the Marshall survey, but with conservatism a distant second.

A majority of the respondents to the Marshall survey also indicated they favored decreased military spending. The national survey showed that more than 60 percent of the respondents agreed with the statement, "the federal government is not doing enough to promote disarmament."

City/university complement one another -- Chamber president

By Linda Goldman
Staff Writer

There exists between Marshall University and Huntington a bond similar to that between two good friends who have grown up together, lending a hand in times of need and celebrating accomplishments when goals are achieved.

The community benefits from its relationship with Marshall by receiving entertainment, recreation, income, and a work force, according to Steve Roberts, president of the Chamber of Commerce. In turn, Marshall receives

the community's support and respect.

"I think the university and the city complement each other," Roberts said. However, he added the community benefits the most from this relationship.

Marshall brings students, faculty and staff members to Huntington. These people spend money in the area, helping the local businesses and industries, according to Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke. Huntington's economy also is boosted when people come here for Marshall football and basketball games and stay in the city's hotels and eat in its restaurants, he said.

In addition to spending their money in Huntington, students provide a valuable work force for the city, Roberts said.

The relationship between Marshall and Huntington is cyclical, Nitzschke said. For instance, he said a Marshall professor may offer to assist a small business, which then prospers and adds to the growth of the community. The city then returns this favor to Marshall in the form of support.

Students have contributed to the Ronald McDonald House, the Boys' Club and the Red Cross. Although

faculty and staff members also donate to the Red Cross, Nitzschke said the bulk of the donations come from the students.

The Greek and dormitory systems provide services to the children, elderly, and disabled persons. If these services were not provided for by the students, Huntington would have to look elsewhere and pay for them, Nitzschke said. Of course, he added, it is because the Chamber of Commerce and the community include Marshall in their affairs that the students are able to contribute.

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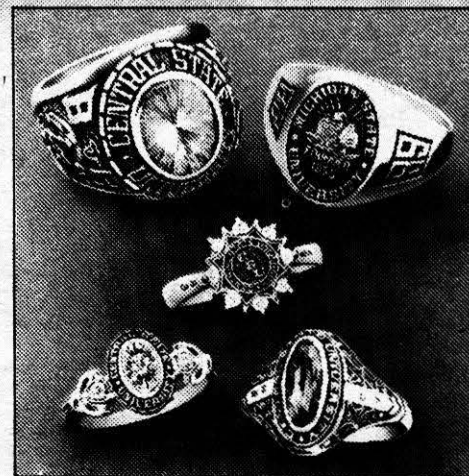
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Calendar

Biological Society will meet at noon today in the Science Annex Room 118.

Student Health Education Programs (SHEP) will sponsor a Red Cross Blood Drive from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today and Thursday in the Memorial Student Center Don Morris Room. For more information call SHEP 696-2324.

Student Health Education Programs and Intramural Dept. will sponsor an energetics-aerobic dance/exercise program Monday-Friday from 12:15 to 1:15 p.m. in the Henderson Center Room 1002; Monday-Thursday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Henderson Center Room 2003; Monday-Thursday 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Henderson Center Room 1002. For more information or to register call 696-2324. The program is free to all Marshall students faculty and staff.

Alcoholics Anonymous will have a closed meeting at 7:30 p.m. today at the Newman Center. For more information call 523-9712 or 696-3164.

Delta Sigma Pi, a professional business fraternity, will have an information table in the Corbly Hall Lobby from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. today for all interested business majors. Meet-the-Chapter will be held at 9:15 p.m. today in the Memorial Student Center Room 2E10.

National Management Association will meet at 4 p.m. Thursday in Corbly Hall Room 104. Brian Kneafsey will be the guest speaker.

MU Science Fiction Society will meet at 8 p.m. today in the Memorial Student Center. For more information call Allison Cash at 696-6985.

Marshall Lambda Society will meet at 9 p.m. today in the Memorial Student Center Room 2W22. For more information call Bonnie Trisler, advisor at 2324.

Men in women's clothing

Transvestites, 'drag queens' differ, study finds

By Ellen M. Varner
Staff Writer

Are they to be called transvestites or drag queens? That is one of the questions being asked in the research conducted by Dr. Elaine Baker, professor of psychology, concerning men who dress in women's clothing.

"I think the word transvestite should be used for heterosexual men who wear women's clothing," Baker said.

Reasons for why men wear women's clothing include, "some men feel they must have some article of women's clothing on in order to get sexually aroused. They cannot respond sexually unless they have a pair of hose on, panties, a bra or something like that," Baker said.

"There are other men, and these are all straight men, who wear women's clothing for just part of the day. Sometimes they wear an article of women's clothing under their own clothing, or sometimes they come home at night from work or school, or whatever, and put on a dress, makeup and high heels and spend the rest of the evening dressed as a woman," she said.

Baker said when asking these men why they dress in this fashion, they often respond "they are men and know they are men, and they do not wish to stop being men, but they also feel that they have certain feminine qualities that can only be expressed if they are wearing women's clothing."

"It is more like an expression of their femininity, even though they are very masculine," Baker said.

"Most men who wear women's clothing, you wouldn't know just from looking at them," she said. "They are just as masculine as anyone else and they are not identified as being sissies."

"If you were to walk down the street on a Saturday afternoon and pass one of these men, you probably wouldn't



know," Baker said.

There are many people who feel the word transvestite should also be used for the gay man who dresses in women's clothing, but Baker said she does not believe they dress in women's clothing for the same reasons.

"These men are usually referred to as 'drag queens,' which means that if one is to go in 'drag,' he or she will be dressed in the clothes of the opposite sex," she said.

Baker said there is a terrific misconception that all gay men dress in

women's clothing. "This is not true. The drag queen is a small minority of all homosexuals."

"In fact, many of the gay men think that drag queens are rather strange," she said. "This is not something that they can understand either: men dressing as women."

"The gay man generally will cross dress only when going out to the bars, or every now and then, if they want to see how many people they can make believe that they are actually women," Baker said.

She said many drag queens do stage shows, impersonating women as a form of entertainment, which is the only time that many of them wear women's clothing.

"The main question in our research project is why do they impersonate women," Baker said.

She said she is curious to find out if these gay men also have a strong element of femininity and do they see themselves as masculine.

Baker, with the assistance of two students, has been working on this project for nearly a year. She said they have interviewed approximately 16 or 17 men from the Tri-State area, with the hope of finding at least 20.

"I know that seems like such a small number to be doing research on, but you have to remember that these men are hard to find and they are actually a very small percentage of our population," Baker said.

The data which Baker has collected on transvestites shows they are generally heterosexuals and the drag queens are most usually homosexuals, she said.

After interviewing many of these transvestites and drag queens, who range in age from 18 to 37, Baker said, "These people are really not that unusual. What is unusual about them is that they dress in women's clothing."

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Sports

Thundering Herd goes south for dogfight with The Citadel

By Paul Carson
Staff Writer

The wandering Thundering Herd will take its newfound confidence to Charleston, S.C., tonight to face The Citadel Bulldogs at cozy McAlister Field House.

The Herd, 12-10 overall and 6-2 in the Southern Conference, has now won five of its last six games, and tonight will attempt to put together its second three-game SC winning streak of the season.

Before losing at New Orleans last week, Marshall had beaten Appalachian State, Davidson, and Western Carolina consecutively. Since then the Herd has beaten Furman and avenged a loss to VMI earlier in the year.

The Bulldogs are 10-7 overall and 4-3 in the league.

MU will be led by freshman Skip Henderson. The Cartersville, Ga., freshman, has upped his points-per-game average to 14.3 after three straight games scoring 20 or more points. Steady Jeff Guthrie is chugging along at an 11.4 average, while senior

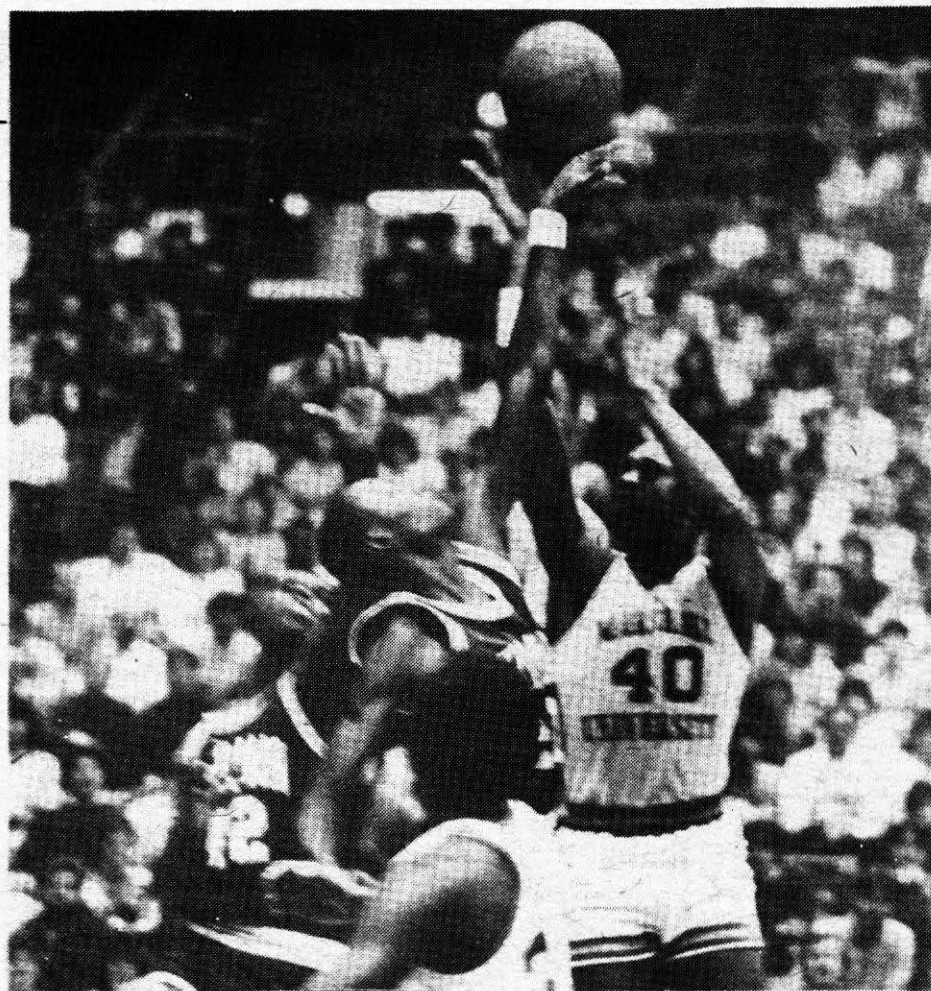
captain Jeff Battle has raised his 11 points per game since taking the sixth-man role Jan. 12 against UT-Chattanooga.

The Bulldogs, coached by St. Albans native Les Robinson, are led by last season's Southern Conference player of the year, Region Truesdale. The Heath Springs, S.C., senior led the Southern Conference in scoring while pulling down 8.1 rebounds per game from his guard slot.

This looks like another honors season for Truesdale. He will enter tonight's game averaging 20.1 points per game, and has pulled down at least eight rebounds in all but five of the Bulldogs' games.

If you thought Louisiana Tech, ranked 12th nationally last week, was the best team Marshall has faced, you may not have noticed a score from the Southland Conference last week.

The Bulldogs, who beat the Herd 69-63 Dec. 15, lost by 12 points on league rival Lamar's homecourt. Those were the same Lamar Cardinals who beat the Herd by 8 points Jan. 9 in Henderson Center.



Staff photo by Mark Czewski

MU's Skeeter Roberts shoots over Furman defenders in the Jan. 26 contest in Henderson Center. The Herd squares off against the Bulldogs of Citadel in tonight's game in Charleston, S.C.

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(Editor's note: Kennie Bass is taking some time off from his column writing this week. Please welcome today's guest columnist, Mr. Casey Kasem.)

Hi, everyone. This is Casey Kasem, and you're reading the MU Top Ten. This week and every week we count down the ten hottest hits on the Marshall campus. Now, let's get on with the countdown.

NUMBER TEN

Kicking off this week's show is a former number one smash that's been falling recently. It's the Rick Huckabay song that was dedicated to Sam Ervin and Don Turney. At No. 10 it's "BEAT IT."

NUMBER NINE

This song is in its third week in the countdown. It's the controversial number that has stayed on the charts for two weeks now, and it's not expected to drop off in the near future. Sam and Don and their big duet hit at No. 9- "TOO MUCH TIME ON MY HANDS."

NUMBER EIGHT

Karen Pelphrey has been lighting up the scoreboard all year. She's the fourth leading scorer in the nation, and her song is at No. 8. Pelphrey sings and

shoots the "LIGHTS OUT."

NUMBER SEVEN

One of Pelphrey's teammates has a hit all her own. She runs fast, jumps high and plays tough. She's Tywanda Abercrombie, and she's at No. 7 with- "SHE WORKS HARD FOR THE MONEY."

NUMBER SIX- Marshall football players have been in big demand since they finished with a winning season. For them it's a No. 6 smash- "LIFE IN THE FAST LANE."

NUMBER FIVE- The Marshall swimming team is successful, but not well known. Maybe that's why the team's song is so popular. It's the swimmers at five with- "THE TWILIGHT ZONE."

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And now, back to the countdown.

NUMBER FOUR- The indoor track team is getting ready to start its season, and Coach Rod O'Donnell's boys have a song on the charts. At No. 4, the track team scores with- "THE LONG RUN."

NUMBER THREE- He's flashy, he's exciting and

Kennie
Bass



he's very good on the court. His song peaked at number two last week and now it's at No. 3. It's Skip Henderson, and he's a- "THRILLER."

NUMBER TWO- The Big Green Foundation scores its biggest hit ever. At No. 2 in the countdown it's- "MONEY CHANGES EVERYTHING."

And now it's time for the top song on campus...

NUMBER ONE- This tune hit the charts at No. 1 and has stayed there a record number of weeks. It's the rockin' blast by the MU students in response to the proposed Athletic Department fee increase. Dr. Lynn Snyder didn't get as much cash as he wanted, and it may have been because of this song. At No. 1 it's the monster smash by the Marshall students to Lynn Snyder- "WE'RE NOT GONNA TAKE IT."

That's it for this week's countdown. I'm Casey Kasem. Until next time, keep your feet on the ground and keep reaching for the stars.

Copeland scores with athletic, academic talents

By Jill Kryzak
Staff Writer

Jaki Copeland is the first female athlete at Marshall University to be named first team Academic All-American.



Copeland

Copeland, a Waverly, Ohio senior, was chosen because she had the ability to combine her "excellence on the volleyball court...with excellence in the classroom," according to volleyball and track coach, Martha Newberry.

This is one reason that Newberry is smiling. After all, she is very proud of Copeland and considers this one of the highest awards given to student athletes today.

But Newberry also smiles for other reasons. Copeland received All-Conference volleyball honors leading MU in every statistical category this season with

16 solo blocks, 54 blocked assists, 236 kills, and a .319 hitting and 89 percent serving record.

In the classroom, Copeland has maintained a 3.82 GPA with a pre-med and exercise physiology major. She plans to receive a Ph.D. in exercise physiology and do research on the subject of cardiac rehabilitation. This semester alone, she is carrying 23 credit hours.

As difficult as it may seem, Copeland doesn't think she is carrying an impossible load. "On the average, I study about an hour and a half every night," she said, "It seems like all of my hard classes are easy because I like them so much."

Her other honors are mounting also. Copeland's credentials include membership in Gamma Beta Phi (Academic Honor Society), Omicron Delta Kappa (Leadership Honor Society), Dean's List 1981-84, Academic Athlete Award 1981-84, and involvement with Students for Christ and the Campus Christian Center.

Not only does she play volleyball, she also runs for

the MU track team. She is attending MU on a track scholarship which would make any coach happy if not secure. "She runs everything from the 800 meter on down (to the sprints)," Newberry said.

Music is another of Copeland's talents. Last summer she composed and sang music for the National Baptist Music Competition where she placed first in solo competition and took top honors for music composition.

A normal day for Copeland consists of class from 8 a.m. until track practice starts. After practice, she returns to her dorm to eat dinner and then study. There are many times that she has helped Newberry with high school volleyball clinics and the school has called asking her to tutor. She still says, "I don't feel like I'm all that pressed."

Copeland will be recognized Feb. 9 before the MU vs. Citadel game, along with the other All-Conference award winners in other varsity sports.

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\$1,000 fee imposed on med-tech interns

By Greg Rayburn
Reporter

A \$1,000 annual tuition fee for medical laboratory technician majors is being imposed on senior interns at Cabell Huntington Hospital, according to Bruce J. Brown, assistant professor of medical laboratory technology.

In the past, students were taught without charge by hospital laboratory workers. A change in the government's policy on who should pay for laboratory technician education is responsible for the fee, Brown said.

Insurance companies and state legislators have operated on the premise that patients, through Medicare and Medicaid, should pay for laboratory technician services. Brown said the policy change means that universities will have to pick up the tab.

Brown said legislation passed in 1984 requires programs like Medicare and Medicaid to pay for only specific services, and not for a complete examination which would increase the number of laboratory tests.

The federal law makes training students for lab work "a costly and unprofitable venture for hospitals," Brown said, "because any extra laboratory work for educational purposes is at the hospital's expense."

In 1984, the number of student medical laboratory technicians accepted by Cabell Huntington Hospital decreased from 12 to eight because of the increased cost to the hospital.

But this is only the beginning, Brown said.

"In the future, they (Cabell Huntington Hospital) might cease the whole program," Brown said. Between 20 and 25 junior medical lab technician students are now competing for only eight positions.

"The problem isn't as bad as it seems," he said. "The balance (who seek professional training) apply to other universities or other hospitals in different areas," said Brown.

Although other areas have the same problem, the situation is especially acute in West Virginia, according to Brown.

"The number of medical training facilities has been reduced from seven to three. Unless something is done, West Virginia will have to import medical services from other places, but this would be extremely expensive."

"If worst comes to worst, West Virginia might lower the amount of education needed to work in the state, that you might not need a bachelor's degree to be a medical laboratory technician in West Virginia," Brown said.

There is a possibility that the College of Science

will develop its own medical technology program and hire a consultant to look into these problems. The hiring decision will be made by Dr. Alan B. Gould, acting vice president of academic affairs; Dr. Edward S. Hanrahan, dean of the College of Science; and Brown.

"It's a little premature to mention any names as of now," Gould said, "although a few candidates for consultant have been proposed."

Hanrahan said he isn't sure where the money would come from if Marshall developed its own program. "Part of the cost would come from tuition that the med-tech students would pay. But that would only pay part of the cost, since we wouldn't charge them any greater tuition than any other student."

Moreover, Hanrahan said he wasn't sure about the future of the medical laboratory technician program. "Well, I hope the M.L.T. program doesn't close down," he said.

If a Marshall operated medical technology program becomes a reality, one full-time faculty member may be hired, Hanrahan said.

Brown insisted that more faculty members would be needed. "Right now, I'm the only full-time faculty member here. We need four to six faculty members to get accredited. The bottom line is this: either your program gets accredited or it folds."

Attorney for students makes 'fighting back' easier

By Elaine Whitely
Staff Writer

Challenging the legal system may seem overwhelming, but Charles Scott, attorney for students, says the free legal counsel he offers may make "fighting back" a little easier.

Scott heads the Student Legal Aid Center, offering free legal advice to Marshall students on problems ranging from contested parking tickets to landlord/tenant disputes. But whatever the legal quarrel, Scott says his advice to dissatisfied students is usually the same—take whatever time is necessary to "iron out your differences" through a legitimate process outlined in the legal system.

"Sometimes students feel it is easier to handle disputes on their own (rather

than through proper legal channels)," Scott said. And although he admits that bureaucratic red tape is both time-consuming and often better avoided, Scott maintains that no case is "ripe" for suit unless legal due process has been followed.

"Students can feel overwhelmed because they often go from one person to another (in a legal chain) without getting satisfaction," Scott said. "Usually I tell them to go back to a person they've already been to. Sometimes the student doesn't think his complaint warrants the time it takes to go through the proper (legal) channels. That's his prerogative."

According to Scott, from 20 to 40 students contact him monthly with legal concerns. Because the SLAC is funded

by student activity fees, students pay virtually nothing for services costing at least \$250 if a private attorney were hired.

Scott said this "considerable savings" is heightened by the fact that students frequently "come here, talk things over, and find they have no real legal problem."

"I work with students on a personal level," Scott said. "I weigh their complaint, and find out what they want. If students can iron out their differences without taking legal action, that's what we try to do."

Because he cannot represent students in court, Scott said those brought before the Judicial Board for violating university policy must be prepared to "do the talking themselves."

Recognizing that lack of legal representation may put students at a disadvantage, however, Scott said he encourages those going before the Board to seek the aid of Students' Advocates, a recently formed legal defense organization composed of students from the Department of Criminal Justice.

"Representing one student (over another) in court would put me in a conflicting situation, because I represent all of the students," Scott said. "Students' Advocates will do exactly what an attorney would (in a student's defense)."

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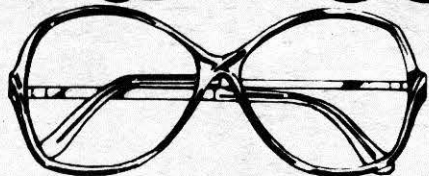


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