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# THE PARTHENON

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## Alexander opposes proposed alternate accrediting agency

By Mary Thomasson  
Reporter

A movement is on to form a new accrediting agency for business colleges, but two Marshall administrators do not favor the idea.

Some administrators from business colleges around the country are unhappy with American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business standards, complaining they are too rigid.

Supposedly, many believe the establishment of the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs is the answer to problems.

But Dr. Robert P. Alexander, dean of the College of Business, and Dr. Carol A. Smith, vice president for academic affairs, believe the movement is not the solution to the situation within the College of Business.

In addition, Charles W. Hickman, AACSB director of projects and member service, said if the new group applies for recognition by the Council on Post-secondary Accreditation (COPA), the AACSB will challenge.

Dr. John L. Green Jr., former president of Washburn University in Topeka, Kan., is an advocate of forming a new accreditation agency. He said the needs of more than 800 business colleges are being ignored by the AACSB.

"I don't have any qualms with accreditation standards of the AACSB for doctoral-granting institutions, but I believe the AACSB criteria are inappropriate for institutions which do not have a doctoral program," he said.

Green said an accrediting agency needs to fulfill the needs of the colleges, not the reverse.

"I want to see business colleges unable to meet the criteria of the AACSB get quality teaching programs," Green said. "The emphasis of this group will be on teaching and quality education."

Green said the agency may possibly be established by May 1989.

Last spring, Alexander and Smith attended a meeting with people representing 170 business institutions in Kansas City, Kan. Alexander said the meeting was to determine interest in the establishment of a new accrediting agency, but both agreed it was a farce because a group was already discussing a budget and collecting dues.

"Some questioned the logic of having two accrediting agencies and whether confusion would result," Alexander said.

Smith said Marshall should keep applying for accreditation with the AACSB as it has the past 20 years. "My impression of the group was not favorable, and it appears the alternate body has formed because they are disgruntled with the AACSB. Standards of the AACSB are not set too high, and they are worth shooting for."

Hickman said organizers of the AABS have made many incorrect assertions about policies and practices of AACSB accreditation. "If they seek recognition by COPA, we will challenge it," he said.

He said most university presidents do not favor further fragmentation of accrediting agencies. "Furthermore, I think the market will be the final test to see if the world really needs two accrediting agencies for business colleges."

## Nitzschke: state's financial woes shouldn't affect education report

By Mary A. Lovejoy  
Reporter

President Dale F. Nitzschke said Wednesday a team studying higher education in West Virginia should not set its sights too low in making recommendations for the state colleges and universities just because of the state's money problems.

Nitzschke said the Carnegie Foundation report team should not be preoccupied with the state's limited financial resources when it comes to paying for higher education.

Nitzschke met in Charleston with other presidents during the monthly meeting of the Advisory Council of Public College and University Presidents when Ernest Boyer, senior fellow of the Carnegie Foundation for the

Advancement of Teaching in Princeton, N.J., discussed the Carnegie study's thoughts about higher education in West Virginia.

Boyer told those at the meeting not to expect major changes in higher education.

"All the pieces are here," Boyer said. "The structure is basically good if people want to make it work."

Some had speculated the study might recommend consolidation of some colleges and a different governing system than the Board of Regents. However, Boyer said school closings or reorganization was unlikely.

Instead, Boyer suggested the study will recommend how they can better work together, said Douglas Call, the BOR's executive assistant for internal affairs.

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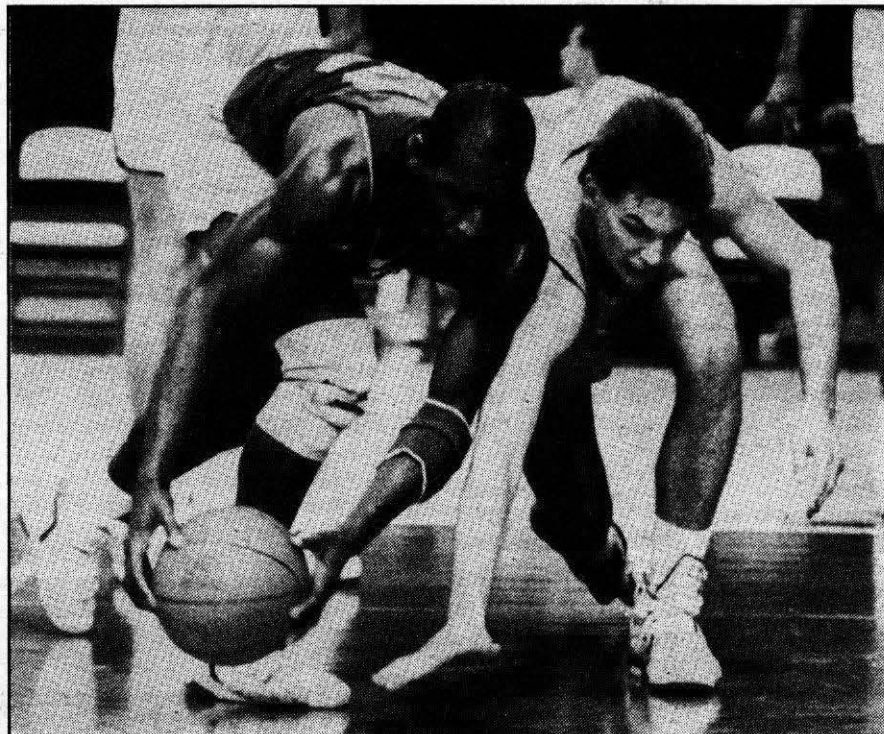


Photo by Chris Hancock

Senior Brian Fish pressures John Taft as the sophomore snags a loose ball in Wednesday's Green and White scrimmage game. Taft led all scorers with 38 points, and Fish was the game's top assist man with six.

## Measles, rubella vaccine required for 320 freshmen

By Mary Beth Kisner  
Reporter

If 320 freshmen do not receive their measles and rubella vaccinations by Jan. 12, 1989, they will not be allowed to return to Marshall for the spring semester, according to West Virginia Board of Regents Policy Bulletin No. 39.

The policy states that all full-time freshmen, part-time freshmen living in residence halls and incoming undergraduate students must provide proof of immunity on or before the date of enrollment or they will not be permitted to enroll in classes for that semester.

Freshmen who enrolled this fall and had not received their vaccinations were informed by mail they would not be able to register for the spring semester unless they provided proper proof of immunization, he said.

The seriousness of the vaccination was explained at the President's Cabinet meeting Thursday by Dean of the Medical School Dr. Lester R. Bryant.

"The epidemics that have occurred on campuses throughout the United States are devastating," Bryant said.

Bryant added the policy does not affect all students, but the virus can. "The virus doesn't care whether you are part-time or full-time and it will be a tragedy if we allowed, through an administration glitch, for an epidemic to happen at Marshall."

According to the BOR, college-aged

students remain particularly susceptible to measles and rubella and these diseases continue to be associated with outbreaks on college campuses. In the interest of student health, the BOR and the West Virginia State Department of Health collaborated on the idea that proof of valid measles and rubella immunization be an enrollment requirement for students enrolling in West Virginia state colleges and universities.

The primary purpose of a mandatory measles and rubella immunization requirement is to prevent the introduction and spread of these vaccine-preventable diseases among students, the BOR policy states.

Students who do not want to have the vaccination may be exempted from proof of immunity or from the requirement to receive measles or rubella vaccine for three reasons: medical, religious, and student enrollment classification.

For medical exemption, students must present a statement from a licensed physician which certifies immunization would be detrimental to a person's health.

Another way of escaping the vaccination is if the sincere and genuine religious beliefs of the student are contrary to the immunization requirements.

The student classification exemption is for part-time freshmen who are not living in residence halls.



# BEYOND MU

From The Associated Press

## Overhaul of colleges unlikely, official says

CHARLESTON — A report on West Virginia's higher education system is meant as a map to lead state college and university educators in the right direction, officials say.

"We're not going to say in this report, 'Sorry, you have no money so you can't do anything,'" said Ernest Boyer, a senior fellow of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching in Princeton, N.J., which is putting out the report. "The problem is not money but ideas and direction."

Legislators repeatedly have called for the state Board of Regents to merge or close some college campuses in an effort to save money and improve the higher education system.

Boyer told a meeting of college presidents on Wednesday, however, that recommendations for school closings or reorganization in the Carnegie report were unlikely.

"All the pieces are here," Boyer said of West Virginia's public college system. "I don't see any major projects or realignments."

"The structure is basically good if people want to make it work."

The Maier Foundation of Charleston commissioned the Carnegie study.

Carnegie staff members have visited each of the 16 college or university campuses and met with a multitude of education administrators, faculty, school employees and business leaders.

Boyer said he plans to meet with legislators and Gov.-elect Gaston Caperton next week.

The board already has said, however, that it will seek \$15 million in additional funding for its \$215 million budget for this fiscal year, which ends June 30.

Part of that \$15 million the board is seeking was sliced from its budget more than a year ago and the rest is the state's share of Social Security payments that the Legislature did not provide for this year.

The Carnegie report is scheduled to be released early next year.

Boyer said the first draft of the report will be written in the next four weeks but declined to reveal specifics of what it would say.

"I can tell that the things the study will be talking about will be familiar because there are only so many issues in education," he said.

## Judge rejects bids for PTL

COLUMBIA, S.C. — A bankruptcy judge Thursday rejected offers from two Canadian businessmen for the assets of PTL and ordered bidding to "start from scratch."

Judge Rufus Reynolds said the offers did not meet the financial conditions he set down Wednesday. He directed PTL bankruptcy trustee M.C. "Red" Benton to draft guidelines for prospective buyers along the lines of those conditions.

The auction Thursday between two Canadian businessmen was expected to close the books on the evangelical empire built by Jim and Tammy Bakker before a sex-and-money scandal forced it to seek Chapter 11 bankruptcy reorganization in 1987.

Reynolds scheduled another auction for Dec. 12 and said he would approve a buyer the next day, warning that if the case is not concluded by then "I will not put up with this case any longer under (Chapter) 11. I will move it to Chapter 7."

Chapter 7 involves the liquidation of

all assets. Under Chapter 11, the company develops a plan to put its finances in order. PTL's reorganization included selling off undeveloped land, a hotel, theme park and shopping mall at Fort Mill, S.C.

Reynolds said he preferred Chapter 11 because Chapter 7 "doesn't bring the most money to the most people."

Vancouver real estate magnate Peter Thomas opened the bidding Thursday with a \$70 million cash offer that allowed him to back out of the deal within a certain time after closing — a provision Reynolds objected to.

Canadian businessman Stephen Mernick Thursday bid \$115 million with a \$50 million initial payment, but Reynolds objected that there were inadequate assurances that Mernick would pay the remaining \$65 million.

Reynolds said he had decided to "turn all of them down and to start from scratch."

Proceeds from the sale of the ministry will go toward satisfying its debts, esti-

mated as high as \$130 million, including about \$55 million claimed by the Internal Revenue Service.

Bakker's own \$172 million bid for the ministry fell through in September when he was unable to raise a \$3 million down payment. The Bakkers now are trying to raise money for a new TV ministry.

Mernick, a 34-year-old real estate developer who is an Orthodox Jew, also owns a tire plant, a travel agency, a garbage collection service and an import company, has said he is interested in PTL for its real estate.

Thomas, chairman of Samoth Capital Corp. of Vancouver, founded Century 21 of Canada. He has said he would operate Heritage USA as a resort and conference center that would stress "traditional family values."

Thomas said he would consider allowing the ministry to lease facilities at Heritage USA. Mernick has not said whether he would allow the ministry to stay.

## Baltic leaders called to Moscow after sovereignty declaration

MOSCOW — The Kremlin Thursday said it was calling Estonian leaders to Moscow to discuss the tiny Baltic republic's declaration of its sovereignty — a challenge to central Soviet control.

The first official reaction to the vote of the Estonian Supreme Soviet on Wednesday was announced by the official Tass news agency while the parliament in a second Baltic republic, Lithuania, was meeting to consider similar action.

Estonian legislators passed an amendment to their own constitution Wednesday requiring local ratification of new Soviet laws.

"Taking into consideration that the amendment and a number of other documents adopted by the Estonian parliament are at variance with provisions of the current Constitution ... the Presidium of the U.S.S.R. Supreme Soviet has decided to consider the above-mentioned issue at its next meeting, with representatives of the Estonian republic to be invited," Tass said.

The tone of the Tass statement was measured and appeared to stop short of an outright declaration that the Estonian parliament's action was unconstitutional.

It did not say when the meeting would take place, but presumably it would be called before the next full meeting of the 1,500-member national Supreme Soviet, which is scheduled for Nov. 29.

Estonian officials were called to a meeting with President Mikhail S. Gorbachev at the Presidium on Nov. 9. Kremlin officials listened, but did not support their that they say takes away the republics' right to secede and further strengthen central control as later Politburo members were sent to Estonia, Lithuania and the third Baltic republic, Latvia, to preach restraint.

Baltic residents are angry about proposed amendments to the national constitution rather than encouraging the local control that Gorbachev stresses is necessary for his reform movement to succeed.

Tass announced that Lithuanian Supreme Soviet had begun its meeting in the capital of Vilnius, where it was expected to take up legislation similar to that passed in Tallinn, Estonia.

The vote of 258-1, with five abstentions, on the declaration of sovereignty in all areas except foreign and defense policy followed a restrained, serious debate in the Estonian Supreme Soviet.

## Bush gives choice for chief of staff

WASHINGTON — President-elect George Bush arranged a mid-afternoon news conference to announce his choice of New Hampshire Gov. John Sununu as White House chief of staff, a move that prompted the departure of long-time aide Craig Fuller.

Fuller, in a telephone interview, said he told Bush in October that "I wanted to return to the private sector." But he said he also told Bush during that conversation that "obviously, I would be eager" to serve as chief of staff, often called the second most powerful position in the White House.

Fuller, who served as Bush's vice presidential chief of staff since 1985, said he will resign when Bush's transition is completed in January.

Fuller denied that he had lobbied Bush for the top White House staff job, and said he was not bitter about Sununu's appointment.

The transition office said only that Bush will make an announcement "involving his White House transition" at the 3 p.m. EST session at the Old Executive Office Building. However, Fuller confirmed that Sununu was the choice for chief of staff.



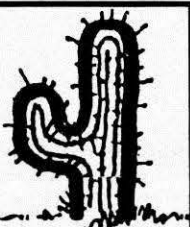
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# OPINION

## Make this break the last turkey

With the memory of mid-terms fading and the thought of the end of the semester not quite a reality, many students are looking forward to Thanksgiving as a long deserved break.

However, several students have expressed concern over the length of the break. Marshall is one of a few schools in the state which does not allow a full week for the Thanksgiving break.

This year, noon Wednesday will officially begin our break. When comparing this starting time to 1987 we should be happy — students had to hang around until 2 p.m. Wednesday. But in years previous to 1987, students were allowed to leave after Tuesday's night class.

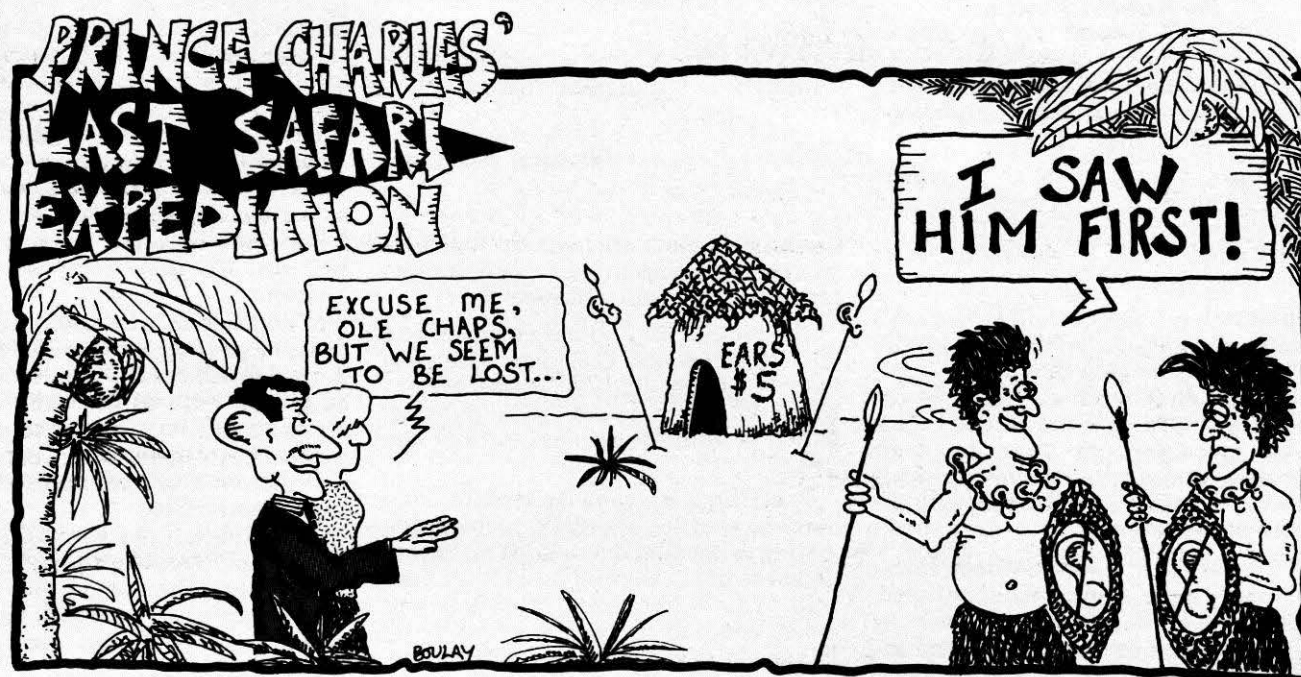
The real question is not whether students should be able to leave after night class, at noon or at 2 p.m. The question is why don't we have a week off like so many other institutions in the state?

Registrar Robert Eddins, who also serves as chairman for the committee which makes up the academic calendar, has said reasons for the short break are most students live within two hours of the university and instructors want as many instructional days as possible.

Eddins also said the committee met for the last time Tuesday and its recommendations are before President Dale Nitzschke. Eddins could not say what recommendations were made but he did say the idea of having a week off for Thanksgiving was debated.

It really does sound like the administration is taking students' needs and concerns into account when making up the academic calendar. But it would be safe to say the number of students who live two hours or less away who do not want a full week of vacation time is near zero. Also, if faculty members want as many instructional days as possible, why are there some who are not holding class Wednesday?

We urge students to let Nitzschke know their views before he approves the proposal. If less than a week was recommended, then urge Nitzschke to send the proposal back.



## She soon will join the exodus

The exodus is real. I have seen it.

During a recent trip to North Carolina, I was surprised by the number of cars loaded down, some with parcels tied to hastily constructed luggage racks. With little else to do, I decided to count the exiles.

By the time I arrived at my destination, I counted 52 such vehicles, 41 were from West Virginia and the rest from Ohio.

I could see two beautifully sewn quilts, one a double wedding ring, the other a simple rail, pressed against the rear window of a rusting, green Gremlin. I realized these desperate people are taking more than just themselves; they're taking a heritage.

I didn't notice any more moving vans than usual. What I did notice were people taking with them what they could fit into their trunks and backseats or carry on their laps. The people were tucked into place wherever there was room. They had packed everything they had and headed south.

I began exploring the area, asking questions. No one was impressed I was from West Virginia. Refugees from the mountain state are the newest immigrants. Most of them are unskilled, but they easily can find work in the plethora of minimum wage industries in the South. It may not be much, but it's better than home.

And home is West Virginia. I met more West Virginians than natives just by walking around a shopping center. And without exception, these relocated West Virginians asked me whether things were better "at home." I had no good news for them. They all expressed their disappointment and told me their stories. One woman overheard me talking and interrupted to ask about conditions "back home."

"If things are better, then I'll pack up and go home," she said.

I brought her only as much hope as I had left myself, and that wasn't much. Her eyes glistened, but she didn't cry. She told me her story,

### COMMENTARY

**Karen Kidd**

about her family and friends in Fort Gay. This woman, a waitress, sends money home to support her disabled parents, supports herself and tries "to put a little aside" to perhaps bring them to live with her one day. But if things were to improve in West Virginia, she would return to her home. And I bet she wouldn't be the only one.

On my way home, I made it a point to look for West Virginia license plates on cars headed north. I didn't see any until I was in Northern Virginia. I was the only one.

During the recent election, the old state administration was defeated. The consensus is that people in the state were not just wild about Caperton. They weren't voting for the man, but change. And Caperton has promised change for the better. But there have also been post-election layoffs and rumors of layoffs. It is perilous to be a West Virginian in West Virginia these days.

I'm not saying there is no hope there will be no improvement. Who knows, maybe Caperton can pull it off. We'll see. But either way, I will watch it from afar. I, too, am going into exile. I soon will join the exodus.

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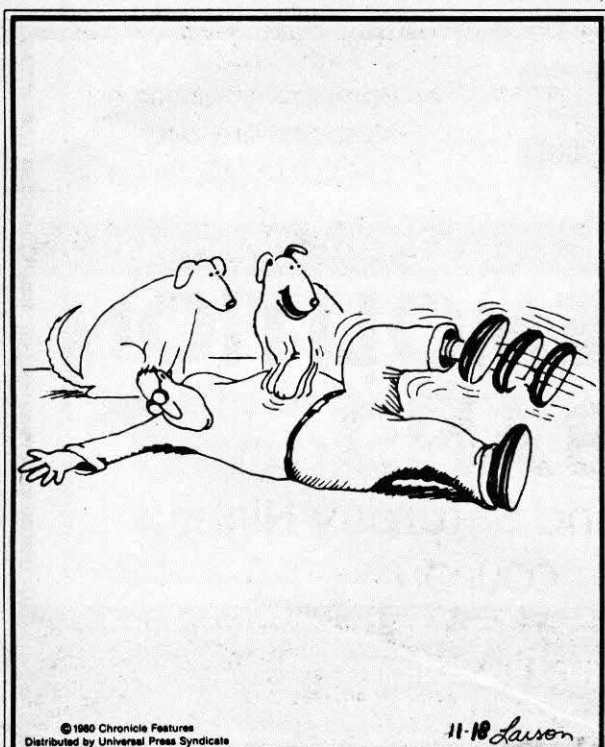
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### THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON





# Think American laws are tough?

According to Jordanian law, a thief would lose a hand

By Robert Fouch  
Reporter

It's a typical Friday night, and there's a party going on with lots of people, loud music and drinking.

Nothing wrong with that, right? Habib Aliabadi, a junior from Iran, said in his country those participating in such a party would be subject to arrest and a possible jail term.

In another international student's country you might even have your hand chopped off if you are caught stealing.

International students interviewed said they find laws in the United States much more lenient than in their countries and they are having little difficulty staying out of trouble with the legal system here.

"In America, the laws are much easier and much more slack," Aliabadi said. "For example, in Iran people don't get off for a murder or rape charge, and the percentage of people convicted and executed for various crimes is much higher."

Marshall has 130 international students enrolled this semester from 37 countries including China, Nigeria, France, Korea and West Germany.

Monica Wang, coordinator of International Student and Scholars Pro-

"I've heard of drug dealers getting their fingernails ripped off."

Nasim Kahan

gram, said most students do not have trouble adjusting to the laws and regulations in the United States.

"In general they adjust very well and it's very seldom they run into any trouble," Wang said. "The most serious thing I've ever heard of is fighting, which is nothing unusual for any student."

Basel Issa, a graduate student from Jordan, said he had little problem adjusting to laws in America. "It's easier to adjust to life in the United States," Issa said. "Life is not complicated here and much less strict. In my country, by Islamic laws, if you are caught stealing, they will chop off your hand."

Nasim Kahan, a graduate student from Bahrain (a small island near Saudia Arabia), agrees laws are much less strict here.

"The laws are too flexible and manipulated too easily," Kahan said. "I think that is the main problem in America. Somebody like Charles Manson can say

he's crazy and get off easier. I think people like him should be shot."

Despite recent attempts to crack down on drug dealers in the United States, Kahan said it has a long way to go to equal punishments in Bahrain. "I've heard of drug dealers getting their fingernails ripped off. I know of somebody who sold drugs and got caught. He was in jail for six months, and when he got out, he had lost his mind because of all the torture."

In addition to laws, international students have other rules to abide by while in the United States. All students must be full-time students, may not take a semester off, have to make sure their passports are updated on a regular basis and cannot work off campus without special permission.

Issa said he's not worried about getting in any trouble, though. "Back in Jordan they threatened that if we did anything wrong, we would be deported back, but when I got here, it really wasn't that bad."

One American law Issa said he did not know about was jaywalking. "When I first came to the United States, I was in Washington, D.C., and I crossed the street when it said 'do not walk.' There was a policeman waiting for me on the other side, but my friends explained to him it was my first year here and he gave me a break."

## Award-winner given reception and grant

By Jack Ingles  
Reporter

A pharmacology professor, given the Fall 1988 Meet-the-Scholar award, was honored at a reception at the president's home Thursday night.

"It is gracious on the part of the university to recognize the faculty and staff," said Dr. Carl A. Gruetter, associate professor of pharmacology.

President Dale F. Nitzschke said, "It is a simple program to let the public know about our resources."

In addition to the \$1,000 for the award, Gruetter's grant with National Institutes of Health was renewed. The five-year grant, worth over \$340,000, is for research on cells that help regulate the size of the lung's blood vessels.

"I hope my research leads to a basic understanding of how the endothelium cells control and regulate the blood vessels," Gruetter said.

Since 1982, Gruetter has been working under grants totaling more than \$750,000. He has received grants from the National Institutes of Health, the American Heart Association and the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association Foundation.

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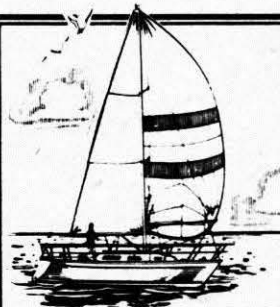
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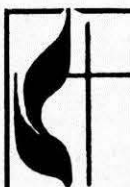
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# Officials say MU logo reflects positive image

University now protected against merchandise carrying unlicensed images

By **Michelle R. Schott**  
Reporter

The university is trying to improve its image. When Dr. Keith L. Scott, director of Institutional Advancement, came here a few years ago he was concerned about the number of "junky things" bearing a Marshall logo. Scott decided these products were damaging to Marshall's image.

"I could see the necessity to establish a corporate identity," Scott said.

He retained a local communications firm to develop an official logo. All areas of the university community were surveyed to discover how they perceived

Marshall. The study indicated that many people, including state legislators, saw Marshall as "that Huntington university" rather than as a state university, Scott said.

He said he believes that perception might be the reason Marshall didn't receive strong support outside the community or from the Legislature.

"The state in the logo typifies that we are a state university rather than a local university," Scott said.

Scott's office then hired Collegiate Concepts, Inc./International Collegiate Enterprises, Inc. (CCI/ICE) to investigate licensing and trademarks of the logo.

The CCI/ICE insures that schools are protected from merchandise carrying a negative image of the school and that the schools receive a share of the revenues generated by all products bearing the school logo.

Any person or company wishing to manufacture a product with a Marshall logo must send a sample to CCI/ICE, which sends it on the university to obtain approval, said Sherry Asbury, licensing officer.

"The university reserves the right to approve or disapprove any item," said Scott.

All licensed products should bear an "Officially Licensed College Products"

label. People, stores or companies who sell or manufacture items without this label may be punished by law.

"There have been very few people who haven't accepted the licensing," Scott said. Local merchants have played an active part in enforcement because they want everyone to pay the same royalties they do, he said.

Scott said licensing benefits the university in two ways. "It provides us with a modest amount of income and control of where Marshall University's name appears," he said.

Anyone wanting to report unlicensed merchandise should call Sherry Asbury at (304) 696-2826.

## Want to improve your writing skills?

### Jesse Stuart Writers Workshop at Ashland Community College may help

Area writers will have the opportunity to improve writing skills and interact with other writers at the Jesse Stuart Writers Workshop at Ashland Community College in Ashland, Ky.

The workshop, which started Thursday, will continue through Sunday. Today it will begin with a reception

and poetry reading at 5:30 p.m., followed by a production of "Annie Get Your Gun," a musical comedy, in the college auditorium at 7:30 p.m. The workshop is free to Marshall students.

Llewellyn McKernan, a staff consultant in writing at Marshall, will teach "Writing for the Young Reader's Market," a mini-workshop about writ-

ing books for young children at 2 p.m.

"If anyone is interested in writing at all, these conferences are very beneficial," McKernan said. "It gives writers the opportunities to share ideas and what they've learned with others. Sometimes, you also can get some tips from publishers about what they're looking for and what they need."

The workshop will conclude Sunday with a screenplay writing workshop from 2-4 p.m.

McKernan, who has a master's degree in creative writing from Brown University, has had two children's books, "More Songs of Gladness" and "Bird Alphabet," published.

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## Moon expects Herd to play at Fairfield

It looks as if Marshall will host at least one Division I-AA playoff game against a team from the northern part of the country, according to Athletic Director Lee Moon.

At the President's Cabinet meeting Thursday, Moon said he was "99.9 percent sure" Marshall will play at Fairfield Stadium Nov. 26 with a 1:30 p.m. kickoff.

Location and opponent will be confirmed Sunday, Moon said.

The Herd's last regular-season game is Saturday.

## Nitzschke claims no special hiring powers; need for med dean was critical, immediate

By Jill Zegeer  
Reporter

President Dale F. Nitzschke denied using special hiring powers in his appointment of the new medical school dean, while medical school officials said they were pleased with the appointment.

"I have no special hiring powers. I'm held to the same rule as all other employing entities on campus to hold to affirmative action policy and procedure," Nitzschke said.

The president announced Monday the promotion of Dr. Charles H. McKown from chairman of radiology and interim dean of the medical school to dean of the medical school. McKown replaces Lester R. Bryant who has accepted a position at the University of Missouri-Columbia

and begins work there Jan. 1.

Nitzschke said the need for a full-time dean was immediate and McKown had been recommended "over and over."

"I had asked for input from those who would be on the search committee and I analyzed what our options were. After speaking with the medical school and individuals outside the medical school it became clear our medical school should not be without a full-time dean," the president said.

"Time and circumstance are too critical to allow us to be without a full-time dean. Accreditation is up in March and we need an excellent leader. Otherwise we'd be without a dean for a full year."

Although McKown is on vacation, he accepted the position last Friday before leaving the state. However, he said in

October he did not plan to apply for the position.

"He deliberated a long time before agreeing to accept the position," Nitzschke said.

Dr. Albert G. Moat, chairman of the Department of Microbiology, said McKown's appointment is a positive move for the medical school.

"He's in touch with the medical community and he's an excellent organizer," Moat said.

Dr. Joe W. Werthammer, chairman of the Department of Pediatrics, agreed with the appointment.

"He has a dynamic personality and he'll enter the race with his wheels spinning," Werthammer said.

Both agreed it was important not to delay filling the position.

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## Rugby scrimmage against Charleston

Marshall's newly-formed Rugby Club will scrimmage Charleston's Rugby Club in Huntington Saturday 1 p.m. at the Intramural Field.

A few students approached Dr. Allen J. Wilkins, associate professor of economics, to be the adviser of a rugby club. Wilkins played rugby at the University of Wisconsin.

"I'm the experience for these guys, they needed someone to act as a coach and to organize the practices," Wilkins

said.

"Right now we're practicing twice a week on the field behind the Science Building," Wilkins said.

"We've got about 30 members in the rugby club and we're always looking for more."

Rugby is similar to American football in which each team of 15 players passes or dribbles an oval ball with blunted ends.

"We're trying to build a foundation

right now," said Duane E. Thaxton, Charleston senior.

"Only a few of the guys have any experience. We've had a few scrimmages, but soon we'll play a full schedule and maybe even buy some jerseys."

Michael Wilkins, president of the rugby club, said, "Everyone's just learning right now."

"Next year we will play intercollegiately against teams from other schools."

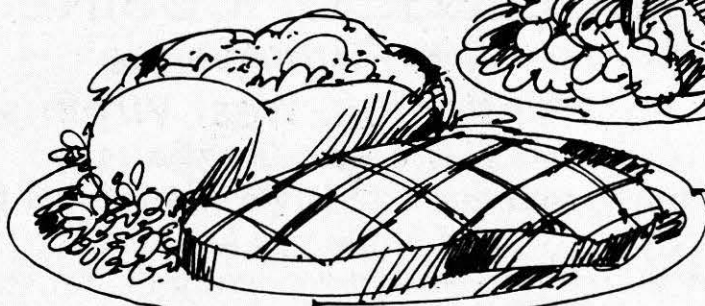
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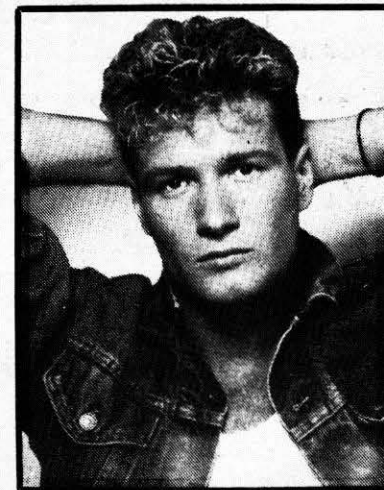
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# SPORTS

## Streaking Youngstown next for Herd

By Jim Keyser  
Sports Editor

Youngstown State, Marshall's opponent Saturday in the final regular season game for both teams, has a losing record (4-6).

Normally this would seem to be an advantage, but for the Herd (9-1) this year it has been anything but that.

Of the six games in which Marshall has played teams with losing records, only two, Tennessee-Chattanooga (38-7) and East Tennessee State (50-14), have been "easy" wins for the Herd. Against Western Carolina last week, the Herd had to rally from huge deficits to win 52-45. Against Morehead State (30-17) and Ohio University (31-14) in the two opening games, Marshall had to rally and play good second-halves to prevail. And against VMI, the Herd struggled the entire game in the rain before holding on to a 24-20 win.

What this brings up is something Coach George Chaump has always

stressed — never underestimate an opponent. Although Youngstown started the year 2-6, the Penguins have won their last two games and Chaump knows they will come prepared.

"They're a team that is hard to figure. They're really coming on strong towards the end of the season," Chaump said. "They had a big win last week against Southern Illinois (31-14) and the week before against a good Indiana State team (25-7), so they seem to be gaining momentum."

One reason the Penguins are gaining momentum, according to Chaump, is that they have finally settled on a quarterback. "At the beginning of the year, they were searching for a quarterback, trying three people all the time. As you know, your team is going to struggle when you do that. Now, I think they've settled on Edie (sophomore QB Frank Edie), and it has shown by the way they've been playing. They have definitely gotten better."

Chaump said Youngstown's main offensive threat is on the ground. "They don't pass the ball much, but their running game is strong. They have a strong freshman runner in Leo Hawkins. I think at one time in last week's game he was averaging 72 yards per carry because he had broken two long runs, so we know he can run."

Although Youngstown State was in the Division 1-AA playoffs last year along with the Herd, the Penguins entertain no hopes of returning this year. Marshall, however, has strong hopes and is virtually already in, but this weekend's game and The Citadel-Furman game will clarify things.

If Furman (5-1) beats the Bulldogs (5-1), then Marshall (6-1) gets the Southern Conference's automatic bid since it beat Furman. If The Citadel wins, though, then the Bulldogs get the conference bid by virtue of their 20-3 win over the Herd.

Although Chaump did not come right out and say it, he indicated he believes Furman will win the game. "In a game

like that, I always go for the team with the best defense. Check the defensive stats and the best one is who will win." Furman is first in the SC and fourth nationally in total defense, while The Citadel is seventh in the conference.

Nonetheless, Chaump said winning its final game could be a key for the Herd. "Last year we won our final game of the season to gain momentum going into the playoffs. We want to do the same thing this year. It's Youngstown's final game of the season and with the way they've been beating people lately we expect the game to be very tough."

Neither game is televised this week, but both can be heard locally on radio. WKEE, 800-AM, will carry the Furman-Citadel game, and, as usual, WTCR, 103.3-FM, and WMUL, 88.1-FM will carry the Marshall game, which begins at 1:30 p.m. Dan Cook handles the play-by-play for WTCR with Tony Petersen doing the color, while on WMUL Joe Hovanski does play-by-play with Leith Murray and Tom Roten doing color.

## Herd shows offensive spark in scrimmage

By Chris Hancock  
Reporter

The main thing Coach Rick Huckabay said he learned about his squad during the annual Green and White scrimmage Wednesday evening in the Henderson Center was that its members are very unselfish.

"We moved the ball well this evening," Huckabay said. "They proved to be less selfish than I expected. Both squads passed the ball really well."

Divided into two six-man squads, the

Herd ran the court for two 20-minute halves and ended up tied at 85 after the White team had been up 49-47 at half-time. A last-second layup by John Taft tied the game for the Green, but no overtime period was played.

The scrimmage was a warm-up for the Herd before Sunday's exhibition against a touring team, Kfum Orebro, from Sweden.

The some 1500 fans in attendance saw what is supposed to be a run-and-gun Herd squad this year as eight of the 12 players hit double figures in scoring.

Taft, a sophomore guard from Huntsville, Ala., paced the Green and all scorers with 38. Other Green members in double figures were sophomore Andy Paul Williamson with 27 and senior John Humphrey, who had 10. Taft led the Green with 13 rebounds, while junior Jeff Sonhouse contributed 12 and Pete Brown 10. Williamson and Humphrey each had four assists.

Junior Gery Strickland, a 6'6" swingman from Ridgeway, Va., paced the White squad with 30 points, while sophomore Andre Cunningham had 17, junior Robin Ogletree 14, junior Scott Williams 12 and freshman Stan Maynard 10. The White's leading rebounder was Ogletree, who tied for game-high honors with 13. Senior Brian Fish had six assists to lead all players.

Huckabay said he considered the scrimmage a success. "I'm really pleased with a lot of things. We showed a little bit of what we want to accomplish. We still need to be more solid defensively and not give up so many easy baskets."

Huckabay continued on the defense: "We can score. There's no question about that. The question is can we keep somebody else from scoring."

Marshall's season opener is Nov. 26 against Austin Peay. Huckabay said he's thankful the exhibition game precedes the opener. "We're not ready yet, so I'm glad we still have the international game before Austin Peay."

The Herd's first regular season home game is Nov. 30 against South Alabama.

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# IMPRESSIONS

You've heard the name, you've heard the tunes, but —

## Exactly what is progressive music, anyway?

By Chris Rice  
Reporter

Marshall University is the home of the Progressive FM, WMUL, but 11 of 20 students who said they listened to progressive music would not attempt to define the expression.

Some students admitted that they had not given the label much thought. "I don't know what it means, I just listen to it," Mary E. Nimmo, Barboursville freshman, said.

Several other students defined progressive music by example. Among the bands mentioned were the Smithereens, 10,000 Maniacs, the Sugarcubes, the Smiths and R.E.M.

Jeremy K. Leaming, Huntington sophomore and sales associate at National Record Mart in the Huntington Mall, defines the label by contrast. "It's not regressive," Leaming said.

Descriptions of progressive music varied. The students questioned said progressive music is the strange, intelligent, entertaining, good-time, college, yuppie, liberal, modern, different, white dance, new-wave music of the 1980s that makes no sense, has a fast beat and no coordination. But above all, it is not top 40, be-bop, bubblegum music.

So can a band labeled progressive, like R.E.M., that has been successful on the pop music charts still be considered pro-

gressive? "Progressive could be popular, but popular doesn't mean pop, it means familiar," Mike S. Lucas, Ceredo sophomore, said.

Eric A. Eckhart, lead guitarist and vocalist for the progressive band the Debut, agrees. "A band can be popular and progressive as long as they are breaking the complacency of pop music. Any band not using cliché chord changes, lyrics and instruments would qualify for this classification."

But this catch-all expression goes beyond rock music. "Progressive music is any music that seems to resist classification," Tyler D. Massey, Milton junior, said.

Mike A. Frye, Huntington senior and music director at WMUL, said some people may argue anything with a rock beat is not progressive. They may claim only truly experimental music is progressive, Frye said. He cites environmental music as an example. But Frye said as far as WMUL is concerned, progressive music is any music not available on other stations.

All explanations being about as clear as mud, Eckhart said, "Maybe it's good that progressive music has no definition." He said having a category like progressive allows artists a chance to express their individual styles and still be heard, and it also gives listeners a few more sounds to choose from.

## This 'typical' grad student is 15

By Aline Bezdikian  
Staff Writer



Mark Matics works on his personal computer in his dorm room.

He is 15 years old. A shy teen-ager with an innocent face who enjoys reading/writing science fiction stories, playing computer games and fooseball, and loves history.

Nothing particularly extraordinary about him?

In fact, he is very extraordinary. His name is Mark Matics and at age 15, he graduated from West Virginia Tech with a bachelor's degree in history. He is currently is a graduate student at Marshall.

"He is a typical graduate student, except he is 15 years old," said Carl Wolfe, Beckley graduate student and classmate of Mark.

"I did not finish high school," the Charleston-born teen said. He was in fifth grade when he started taking freshman courses. But after passing the exams given by the Board of Education, it was suggested that he become a full-time freshman. He was then 11.

My conversation with Mark took place in his room in Laidley Hall, while he had two friends visiting him who are seven and eight years older than him. "I don't have friends of my own age. All my friends are much older than me," Mark said. "But I don't have any social adjustment problems with my classmates, which was not the case when I first started my freshman year. One day a student in my class thought I was the son of the lecturer and I was there to play. He was surprised when I opened the same textbook as he had in front of him."

Kevin Wolverton, Parkersburg senior, said, "Although I'm seven years older than him, we became friends with each other because of our interests in computer games. I find him very intellectual and analytical for his age. He is bright, though; you still feel lots of youthfulness in him."

Rich Dunbar, Parkersburg senior and Mark's roommate, said, "When I knew that my roommate was only 15 years old, I was pretty much in shock and worried that I had to live with with a teen." Dunbar adds, "Although he sometimes acts like a teen-ager, Mark is very smart. He talks about politics, history and about almost everything. Sometimes he uses words that I don't know the meanings of. He is a lot different than other 15-year-old teens that I know."

At a period when most teenagers talk about television shows, comic books or sports, Mark talks about segregation, social conflicts and historical events.

"History is my favorite subject. It has always been," Mark said. But after finishing his master's degree, Mark will start law school.

No wonder this prodigious student who is running ahead of time is amazing people, and on his way, he'll probably surprise or impress more classmates, friends, roommates, and who knows ... maybe himself.

## 'Carmina Burana' to be performed Saturday, Sunday

By John Gilmore  
Reporter

The Choral Union, University Chorus and the University Symphony Orchestra will be combined to perform "Carmina Burana" and the conductor said that all who come will see an exciting concert based on ancient texts with modern meanings.

The concert will be performed on Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. Both performances will be in Smith Recital Hall. Tickets for the concert are \$6 for adults, \$4 for youth and senior citizens, and free to students with a validated Marshall ID and activity card.

Dr. Joseph E. Line, associate professor of music and director for the performance, said the arrangement is brutal, driving and wonderful with very sensuous texts. "Music is very sensual in nature, but this has almost a pagan feel to it."

Dr. Michael McArtor, conductor of the University Symphony Orchestra, is working with Line on the concert. "The rehearsals have been going quite well. The music is good and it is an exciting work."

"Carmina Burana" was written by Carl Orf, a 20th century German composer who took these suggestive texts and put them to new music. The works premiered in 1937 and left all who heard them completely captivated. Orf didn't write much music, but this one is considered one of the masterpieces of this century.

Orf was born and lived near Munich. There is a catalog of ancient works in that area that are called "Carmina Burana," which is Latin for "songs of Burana" — Burana also being a region near Munich.

"Carmina Burana" texts can't be dated, but are believed to have been written between 800 and 1000 A.D. The songs are the first evidence of secular songs that are in existence.