Chancellor Addresses Forum on Local 118 Contract In Response to Campus Concern

Chancellor William H. Danforth has responded to allegations made by some members of the University community regarding a contract approved last Sept. 6 by WU employees who belong to Local 118 of the Public School Employees Union. He issued a statement on the contract dispute—which is under litigation in U.S. District Court—at an open forum on campus Monday, Dec. 9. The forum was sponsored by the executive body of the WU faculty, the Faculty Senate Council, and presided over by Council chairman Leon Gottfried.

The text of the Chancellor’s statement at the forum is printed in full on page three.

Prior to the forum Dr. Danforth had referred to the Faculty Senate Council on Dec. 5 a petition by 30 WU faculty members, who asked that the WU administration explain its position in the contract dispute. Dr. Danforth attended the Council’s Dec. 5 meeting to present facts about the contract and seek the Council’s advice regarding the petitioners’ request for a forum.

Faculty interest in a forum was first shown publicly on Nov. 26 when 16 faculty members circulated a petition among the University’s approximately 1000 full-time professors. The petition stated among other charges that some workers had been misled about terms of the Local 118 contract with the University and asked the WU administration to give its position at an open meeting. Fourteen additional faculty signed the petition, which was then published as an open letter in Student Life.

Local 118 represents about 250 maintenance, food service, housing and grounds employees on campus. Local 118 members on campus approved the present contract Sept. 6 by a 108 to 104 vote. Some campus members of the Union, however, seek to void the contract. They filed a suit in U.S. District Court last October against officials of Local 118 and the University, which they charge had failed to disclose and explain adequately the wage terms of the contract. Both WU and officials of Local 118 have filed legal responses to the plaintiff’s charges with the Court, which has not yet set a date for a hearing.

Dr. Danforth said in his statement that “With one exception [which is detailed in the text on page three] the allegations made against the University seemed so totally unfounded as not to require extensive rebuttal, especially while litigation was in process.” He added, “it is worth noting that the University is prohibited, by federal law, from taking sides in intra-Union disputes. In the litigation the University will seek neither to justify nor criticize the Union’s action . . . and will present evidence to rebut only those charges made against the University.”

Concern that a need exists on campus for more information on the Local 118 contract led to his statement at the Dec. 9 forum, Dr. Danforth said.

Dr. Danforth briefly interrupted his attendance Dec. 6 on campus at a WU Board of Trustees’ meeting to speak before a rally of about 50 to 75 persons, mostly WU students, who gathered at the Brookings Hall main arch under the auspices of the Campus Committee for Workers’ Rights. A flyer, distributed by the committee on campus Dec. 6, stated that the rally was being called to place “pressure on the University” to void the contract. Jeff Peters, Student Life news editor and reporter, presided at the Dec. 6 noon rally. Lattie F. Coor, University Vice Chancellor, attended the rally as the University spokesman and reported that he was not permitted to address the rally. “I learned of the rally through the committee’s flyer,” Mr. Coor said. “Friday’s Student Life, which contained news of the Monday open forum, had not been distributed to the campus at its regular morning delivery time and I was concerned that people would attend the Friday rally without knowing that the Monday meeting had been scheduled. After hearing charges made against the University at the rally, I asked to address the group on behalf of the University. I was denied that

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Genetic Counseling Service Helps Predict And Diagnose Hereditary Birth Defects

By Sharon Murphy

More than one-third of childhood deaths are attributed to inherited birth defects, according to the Division of Medical Genetics at Washington University’s School of Medicine. In addition, genetic factors cause nearly half of chronic hospitalizations for crippling diseases in children.

The realization of the importance of genetics has led to the creation of a new sub-specialty known as medical genetics. The genetic services provided by this new group include clinical and laboratory diagnostic studies for inherited conditions, and genetic counseling in known or suspected hereditary conditions.

William S. Sly, M.D., associate professor of medicine and pediatrics, and director of the Division of Medical Genetics, defined genetic counseling as “the delivery of professional advice concerning the magnitude, implications and alternatives for dealing with the risk of occurrence of a hereditary disorder in a family.”

The Washington University Medical Genetics Clinic in St. Louis Children’s Hospital serves as a referral center for diagnosis and counseling for a five-state area. The clinic opened in 1967 as a three-year pilot project funded by the U.S. Public Health Service. A grant from the Ranken Jordan Trust Fund has kept the clinic open since 1970.

Clinic director Robert L. Kaufman, M.D., assistant professor of pediatrics and medicine, estimated that 200 new families are counseled each year at a minimal cost. “Families seek our services when they feel there is a chance of having an abnormal child,” he explained.

Dr. Sly, a member of the counseling team, said although some families come on their own initiative to the clinic, many are sent by their physicians to have a child diagnosed for an inherited disorder. “Because there are about 1500 genetic diseases, a family doctor may not recognize an unusual one in a child, or may need very specialized laboratory services to make a diagnosis,” he added.

The geneticist generally uses three tools to determine the probability of a genetic defect: an accurate diagnosis, a family pedigree of medical histories and knowledge of the disorder. Results of chromosomal and biochemical tests may also be utilized. In cases where the degree of risk can be determined, the family can use this information in deciding whether to avoid pregnancy or to risk having a child with a birth defect.

Some disorders can be predicted with certainty during a subsequent pregnancy by a prenatal procedure known as amniocentesis. This involves inserting a needle into the woman’s uterus at 16 weeks gestation and withdrawing 10 milliliters (about two teaspoons) of the amniotic fluid which surrounds the fetus and contains cells of fetal origin. “Metabolic and chromosomal disorders can be identified by an analysis of these cells,” Dr. Kaufman said. In addition, examination of the amniotic fluid can detect certain developmental defects in the brain and spine. Presently, between 50-100 disorders can be detected prenatally.

Although an amniocentesis cannot assure a normal baby, it can guarantee that certain specific and detectable abnormalities are not present.
Text of Chancellor Danforth's Statement to Forum

During this semester, some members of the University community have alleged that the University and officials of Local 118 of the School Employees Union failed to disclose and explain adequately the wage terms of the contract approved in September by members of that Union on this campus. In early October, a suit was filed in the United States District Court by some employees seeking to void the previously approved contract. The suit is directed against both Mr. Louis Solari, the Business Agent of Local 118, and the University. The charge against the University is that, at the direction of Mr. Solari, the University published and posted a "false and fraudulent summary of the proposed agreement offered by defendant Washington University." The relief sought by the suit is cancellation of the contract and submission of the proposal to another vote. The University has denied the allegations of improper conduct on its part and is anxious to obtain an early disposition of the matter. The suit is still in its early stages. The plaintiffs have not yet begun the pretrial discovery process.

With one exception, to be mentioned below, the allegations made against the University seemed so totally unfounded as not to require extensive rebuttal, especially while litigation was in progress. However, a statement issued recently by 30 faculty members has requested that the administration respond and inform the campus community of its position.

Before summarizing the occurrences preceding the instigation of litigation, it is worth noting that the University is prohibited, by federal law, from taking sides in intra-Union disputes. Last spring certain workers, including some of the plaintiffs in the pending suit, attempted to replace Local 118 as the bargaining agent on this campus. In this case, as previously, Union members voted to retain representation by their current bargaining agent. The University is bound, by law, to deal with the duly elected bargaining agent. It cannot intervene in disputes concerning representation. In the litigation, the University will seek neither to justify nor criticize the Union's action in the contract negotiation and ratification process and will present evidence to rebut only those charges made against the University.

Negotiations over the present contract began last summer. The University was represented by George Burris, Norbert Leahy, George Spears and Mary Weiss. The Union was represented by Louis Solari, Donald Barbour, Harold Davis, Peoria Jones, Gerald Staley, Charles Tate and Marva Tate. All Union representatives except Mr. Solari were campus workers chosen by their fellow employees. These employee representatives were free to express independent views during the negotiations.

A proposed three-year contract was submitted to a vote of the entire Union membership on August 14, 1974. Tables displaying the actual wage schedules for the years beginning July 1, 1974, July 1, 1975, and July 1, 1976, were given by the Union to each worker. The membership voted to reject this proposal.

On September 4, 1974, a proposal for settlement was presented to the University representatives by the Union representatives. The University initially suggested that 15¢ per hour be added to the proposed wage schedule of August 14, 1974. After considerable bargaining, that afternoon the Union representatives made another offer. This proposal called for an increase of the University's previous (August 14) offer so that every wage category in each of the three years would be increased by 8¢ per hour. This proposal was thoroughly discussed by labor and management representatives. It was understood by all at the meeting. A handwritten memorandum of agreement was prepared and circulated among the labor and management representatives present. After reviewing the memorandum, and being satisfied that the terms as written reflected the actual terms of the final settlement to the University by Local 118, members of the University and Union committees initialed the document to reflect their unanimous understanding. Item 1.d) of the initial memorandum dealing with the 8¢ wage improvement read as follows:

"d) Enlarge the wage rates set out in the 8/14/74 schedule for each classification by 8¢ per hour, effective 7/1/74 - 7/1/75 and 7/1/76."

The memorandum of agreement, initialed by the bargaining representatives for both sides, evidenced an understanding that a further wage increase was to be offered campus workers, increasing the amounts previously proposed on August 14th. Both the August 14th and September 4th proposals exceeded the previously existing wage rates. The progressive enlargement of the wage rates, and considerable improvement over prior wage rates, can perhaps best be indicated by the illustration above.

Thus, to determine the wage rates proposed by the Union on September 4th, one adds 8¢ to the hourly wage proposed for each year of the new contract in the August 14th document.

The University representatives then decided the manner of disseminating information of this settlement to the workers prior to the balloting on the settlement. Labor law and practice makes clear that the University bears the obligation of informing its members of the terms of any proposed contract. The University is prohibited by law from attempting to "sell" any such contract. Commissioner Robert Mize of the Mediation and Conciliation Service suggested that the balloting take place on September 6, 1974, as the extension of the contract was due to expire. He also suggested that the balloting occur on campus, presumably to encourage worker participation. The University representatives decided to use the August 14th settlement offer documents with the September 4 memorandum of agreement added as, in their view, adequate and proper vehicles for communicating the settlement terms. Thus, the Union membership would be dealing primarily with documents that they had already studied. The local 118 representatives also stated that, on September 5th, they would have the opportunity to contact their fellow employees personally in their work areas and explain the terms of the settlement to supplement the written information.

As the September 4th meeting closed, a Union representative requested a University representative to simplify some of the formal and legal language which had been used in the handwritten memorandum and to eliminate concerns that some employees might feel that the eight cent increase would be received for the first twelve month period only, with a reversion to the August 14th increase levels thereafter. In attempting to make paragraph 1.d) more understandable, the parenthetical statement, "(or a total of 24¢ increase over the three-year period)", was added with the intent of (Continued on page 4)
making it clear that the eight cents was to be applicable to all three periods. The frame of reference was the August 14 statement. Given this context, the 8¢ per year increase amounts to 24¢ over three years.

On September 5th, Union bargaining representatives met with their fellow workers and explained the settlement terms that had been reached. On Friday, September 6th, balloting on the final settlement took place and the settlement was approved by a vote of 108 to 104.

It should be evident from the foregoing that there is no validity to any contention that negotiations were not conducted fairly and openly. Indeed, the events of September 4th, including the promise by the University to enlarge the wage rates previously stated on August 14th and the decision to hold the election on campus on September 6th, were conducted in the presence of, and under the supervision and direction of, an independent party, Commissioner Mize of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service. In addition, the memorandum and attachments prepared for use by the campus workers elicited no complaint or inquiry from the Union bargaining representatives to whom they were delivered. The contract was executed by the Union and the University on September 13, 1974, a week after the balloting. No request for clarification of the wage schedule, or objection to that schedule, was made to the University by any of the Union's representatives prior to signing the contract.

No specific incident of any representative of Washington University giving false information to any worker is known to the administration. The allegations are believed to be fabrications. The University denies any intimidation of workers or other pressures to accept the contract. Such pressure would be illegal and contrary to University policy. These allegations of illegal conduct must apparently be against individuals known to the University community to have a long record of fairness. In addition, the University has done nothing in the post-contract ratification period to prevent workers aggrieved by the result of that election, or the events surrounding it, from lawfully pursuing their grievances.

Administrators in contact with workers are certain that the terms of the contract were explained by members of the Union's negotiating team and understood clearly by a vast majority of workers.

There still remains the question, given the narrow margin of the contract ratification, of whether the insertion of the parenthetical phrase, "(or a total of 24¢ increase over the three year period)", was a material ambiguity and caused some of those approving the proposal to regard the contract as offering a higher wage rate than actually intended.

The issue is now in court. We have confidence that we will prevail and, more importantly, that the University and the Union reached a fair and equitable settlement benefitting campus workers. On the other hand, the cover letter is open to charges of ambiguity. The University's present position is to fight the suit in court. Should the University lose, it will, of course, comply with any court order. If the University wins, we are prepared, should the Union wish, to submit the matter of the interpretation of the wage rates to binding arbitration. No one has ever raised any question about the terms applicable to this year, so only the second and third years of the contract are in question. Should the suit drag on into the summer, the University is willing to submit to binding arbitration before the next wage increases go into effect even if the suit is still in progress.

The announcement of this position at this time decreases by an unknown amount the University's chance of winning the law suit but that risk is apparently not very great.

In addition to the above, there are questions of equity. The workers of Local 118 are well paid relative to those in comparable jobs in the community. Those in the lower salary categories, especially, compare favorably with persons in similar type jobs elsewhere in the Saint Louis area.

Equity within the University must also be considered. When one compares the salaries of those employed by Washington University with the salaries of persons in comparable positions in the general pool from which these individuals are drawn, the members of Local 118 are as well or better off in relation to their peers than are the faculty and staff in relation to theirs.

The financial picture of the University must also be taken into account. The Annual Report which has been disseminated widely and is available in the library shows that all available funds are going into the central budget, including unrestricted gifts, and all the income from the Danforth Foundation's $60 million gift. Nonetheless, it is very difficult to make ends meet. Inflation, which hurts the average family, also hurts the University. Next year, because of a decline in income due to the fall in stock prices and because of some decline in undergraduate enrollment, it will be impossible to balance the central budget despite the $250 increase in tuition. Giving wage increases that keep up with inflation is impossible. The money is not available.

The University's options are limited. Increases in expenses in one area must be paralleled by cuts elsewhere, by further additions to tuition or by a lowering of scholarship funds. Any course is clearly difficult.

Finally, the nation's economic problems are putting pressures on American higher education which, if we let them, can become very disruptive, setting one university group against another. Timely and accurate information to the entire University community can help avoid unnecessary misunderstanding, and the Administration stands ready, as it has in the past, to provide such information. We shall try to listen to the complaints and concerns of every group. On the other hand, I believe that we cannot respond to individual alarms and pressures surrounding this or that issue without consideration of the whole. We need to attempt to understand all the various issues, opportunities and challenges clearly and to work toward resolutions that are reasonable and fair. The goal must be to maintain the strength and quality of Washington University, for on these factors depend not only the pride we take in the institution but its very ability to attract the kind of vital and able student body that we now have.

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privilege. Mr. Peters, who was presiding at the rally, had been informed of the Dec. 9 forum by the Faculty Senate Council on the day before the Friday rally. But he failed to tell the rally about the forum," Mr. Coor said.

"Mr. Peters and others then led the rally into North Brookings Hall, although Mr. Peters was aware that the Chancellor was attending the trustees' meeting elsewhere on campus," Mr. Coor continued. "When I announced that fact to the group, Mr. Peters and others called for a march on the trustees' meeting to confront the Chancellor and the group went through the first floor corridor of North Brookings and out into the quadrangle. I engaged the group in active discussion at that point and I agreed to ask the Chancellor to leave the Board meeting to meet with the rally under the Beaumont Pavilion," Mr. Coor said.

The Chancellor then left the board meeting for about 20 minutes to talk to the rally and inform them of the open forum.
Uncommon Market Caters to Culinary Tastes of International Community

By Kathy Pearson

Washington University’s Uncommon Market is aptly named, for it carries a wide variety of international foods ranging from puffy Lebanese bread to dried tiger lily buds.

Now located in a former pantry in the Stix International House, the Uncommon Market is a non-profit organization run by volunteers from the WU Women’s Society. The market, previously operated in Umrah Hall, was founded in 1967 to cater to the culinary needs of international students. Most of the market’s clientele are WU students, faculty and staff, but some customers come from as far away as Rolla and Columbia, Mo. One St. Louis University student makes regular trips to the market on his bicycle.

Most people shop at the market because it is convenient and less expensive than many area department and specialty food stores. No sales tax is charged, and any profits above operating expenses go to the Student Loan Fund, which provides short-term emergency loans to international students at the University.

The market is able to offer many items at reduced prices because it gets some of the merchandise at wholesale prices. Mrs. C. Ronald Stephen, buyer for the Uncommon Market, explained that some Japanese and European foods are ordered from importers in Chicago, but she and Mrs. Michael Witunski, assistant buyer, purchase most other items locally. Their work involves regular trips to Asian, general and spice import shops in downtown St. Louis, and a Syrian-Lebanese bakery in South St. Louis. To cut costs and insure freshness, they buy spices, grains, and lentils in large wholesale quantities and package them in smaller amounts. Such processing requires time-consuming weighing, measuring and labeling. The spices are an especially good buy, as they cost about one-third to one-fourth less than they would elsewhere.

Mrs. Stephen said that the market generally carries items that have sold well over the years, but that customer requests are taken into consideration. They will also order special items such as a 10-pound sack of wheat flour or a gallon of soy sauce, and will call customers when the items come in.

A trip to the market is an enjoyable respite from studies or work. Light and airy, it was designed by Ray Hsu, a Japanese architectural student at the University, two years ago. Blue perspex glass doors, hanging plants, wicker baskets which can be filled with snacks such as Halvah bars and almond cookies, and colorful banners provide an attractive backdrop for the well-stocked shelves, and a pleasant, spicy aroma always fills the air.

In addition to Chinese, Japanese, Indian, European and Middle Eastern foods, and herbs and spices, the market also carries natural and health foods including granola, chick peas and nuts, and snacks such as Halvah bars and almond cookies.

Special Christmas items this year include gift packs of tea, gift hags and tiny baskets which can be filled with imported candies or other items, dried lychee nuts (a Chinese Christmas food), and cheese and sausage gift packs. Regularly stocked items which would also make nice gifts are Dutch and French mustards, a variety of jams, jellies and coffees, woks, tempura pans, tea pots, espresso coffee makers, Japanese rice bowls and several cookbooks including the “World in a Box,” an attractive plexiglass box which holds recipes from throughout the world collected, tried and selected by Women’s Society members. For the traditional Christmas table, there is even kidney pie, and Mrs. Stephen hopes to stock plum pudding before the holidays.

Market hours are 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, and the phone number is 863-0100, ext. 4306.

WU Architectural Graduates Publish West End Report

Three Washington University architecture graduates have completed a comprehensive study of the St. Louis Central West End.

Douglas Burns, Robert Kronewitter and Edgar Taam worked on this project as a thesis to fulfill a requirement for the degree of Master of Architecture in Urban Design. The basic idea of the report, entitled Interface, was to offer the residents in the transitional area of the Central West End a planning and design strategy. The report stressed community organization and involvement of residents in the implementation of any plan. Their study area was bounded by Lindell, Delmar, and Kingshighway blvds., and Boyle ave.

The team of architects said in their report that the original impression of the study area was that it was a “pivotal segment of the overall St. Louis urban structure and that it is critical that the area be stabilized in order to retard the spread of urban decay.”

“The general policy or strategy that evolved from the research was that the transitional segments of the study area be developed first,” the report said. “Such development has greater economic feasibility and it can provide the foundation for more intensive, costly development.”

Specifically, the architects said the initial focus on development should be the Westminster blocks between Euclid and Taylor. The architects believe that development of this area first will have the “most resounding impact on the surrounding community.”

They also recommended that physical improvements be made in the Maryland Plaza and Delmar commercial areas and in the McPherson residential area between Newstead and Boyle.

On the subject of crime, the report stated that most crime in the area occurs within the Olive, Euclid-McPherson and Maryland Plaza commercial areas. The greatest concentrations of residential crime occur north of Pershing between Taylor and Newstead and along McPherson between Kingshighway and Euclid.

“Very few crimes are committed on private streets where there are a significant number of single family homes,” the report said.

The architects suggested that a new private school with complete and adequate facilities might be the answer to the existing educational problems in the study area.

The report is on sale at the Washington University bookstore.
Three Holiday Concerts To Be Presented this Weekend on Campus

Three holiday concerts will be presented on campus the weekend of December 14-15, affording the WU community a festive respite before final examinations begin. A special program combining music, dance and poetry will be given in Edison Theatre Saturday and Sunday at 8 p.m.; the WU Wind Ensemble will appear in concert in Edison Theatre Sunday at 3 p.m. and the WU Madrigal Singers will perform Sunday at 8 p.m. in Mary Brooks Holmes Lounge. The concerts are free and open to the public.

Early music will set the mood for the Christmas concert in Edison Theatre, with the spotlight on the WU Dance Theatre under the direction of Annelise Mertz, head of the Dance Division; the WU Brass Quintet, directed by Dan Presgrave; readings of Christmas poetry by Richard Palmer, director of theatre, The Recorder Group, and Willard Cobb, tenor.

Choreography for the dances to music ranging from French medieval to Bach baroque is by Professor Mertz, who initiated the special concert. The dances are original compositions in the modern dance idiom reflecting the spirit and style of the Renaissance period. A premiere of the dance “Fanfarone” to music of C.P.E. Bach played by the Brass Quintet will highlight the concert. Other selections by the Quintet will be "Fanfare" by Josquin Des Pres, "Two Pieces" by Anthony Holborne and an anonymous sonata from "Die Bankelsangerlieder."

Willard Cobb, artist-in-residence at St. Louis University and formerly with the Early Music Quartet of Germany, will sing troubadour songs and play with The Recorder Group.

Russian Christmas music will be featured by the WU Wind Ensemble in Edison Theatre Sunday afternoon; other selections on the concert program include “Symphony No. 5” by Darius Milhaud, “Variations on America” by Charles Ives, March from “Symphonic Metamorphosis” by Paul Hindemith, “Chester Overture” by William Schuman and “Fiesta del Pacifico” by Roger Nixon. Dan Presgrave is director.

The WU Madrigal Singers will present a holiday program in Mary Brooks Holmes Lounge Sunday evening. Under the direction of Orland Johnson, the group will perform a Bach Cantata and Spanish Christmas carols.

“Fanfare” sponsored by the Women’s Building Administrative Office and the WU Women’s Society, is open to all concertgoers.

James M. Douglas Dies

James M. Douglas, former Missouri Supreme Court chief justice and St. Louis civic leader, died Dec. 3. Mr. Douglas, who received his law degree from Washington University, was a member of the University’s Board of Trustees from 1950 until his death. He served as chairman of the board from 1951-61, and was named emeritus trustee in 1967 and life trustee in 1972. Mr. Douglas had been in private law practice since 1919 with the firm of Thompson and Mitchell. Mr. Douglas, the son of the late circuit judge Walter B. Douglas of St. Louis, was admitted to the Missouri Bar in 1917. He was elected St. Louis circuit judge in 1931 and served until 1937, when he was appointed to the Missouri Supreme Court. He was a supreme court justice from 1937-49, and was chief justice from 1943-45. Mr. Douglas is survived by a son, James Kimball Douglas of Princeton, N.J., and a sister, Mrs. Antionette Douglas Schmitz of St. Louis.
NEWS BRIEFS

MARVIN CUMMINS, assistant professor of sociology at WU, was one of four respondents to a keynote speech at a seminar on public policy on drug abuse held Dec. 4 at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. Dr. Donald Phares, associate professor of economics at UMSL, gave the keynote speech, entitled, "Hero in Society — An Economist’s Perspective on Forming Public Policy.” The seminar was held for law enforcement and public officials, educators and counselors.

RECOGNITIONS

JUSTIN HANNEKAN, foreman with the Woermann Construction Company, which is erecting the new Life Sciences Building on campus, was honored at a dinner given recently by the St. Louis Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA). Hannekan was one of five local building craftsmen commended for their superior work. He received a special citation which said that he had been “selected in the category of coordinating craftsmen for new construction because of his work of coordinating the concrete work at the Life Sciences Building at WU designed by Hoffmann Saur & Associates, Inc.” Ben Berry, campus architect, explained that constructing new buildings of poured concrete is a relatively recent development in building construction. He said that such work poses many problems, and praised Hannekan for his painstaking concern with such fundamental matters as the proper shading and texture of the concrete structure. The unusual geometry of the building also required meticulous attention because it involved working with difficult shapes and forms.

MURRAY L. WEIDENBAUM, Mallinckrodt Distinguished University Professor at WU, has received a certificate of appreciation on the completion of six years of service as a member of the Economic Advisory Committee to the Bureau of the Census.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEADLINE FOR ENROLLING in the WU Medical Care Group is Friday, Dec. 13. Enrollment becomes effective Feb. 1. Except for new employees, no enrollments will be accepted after Dec. 13 until the next open enrollment at the end of 1975. For further information, call 363-0100, ext. 4691 (Hilltop campus), or 451-2000, ext. 2477 (Medical School—academic staff) or ext. 2654 (Medical School—non-academic staff).

A CONCERT of music for double bass, a rarity in local music circles, will be presented at 8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15 in Graham Chapel. Two members of the St. Louis Symphony, Henry Loew, principal double bass, and Carolyn White, associate principal bass, will be featured on the program. William Schatzkamer, professor of music at WU, will be the piano accompanist. The program will include: Nestor Huguet’s “Fantasie”; Serge Koussevitzky’s “Valse Miniature”; Franz Cerny’s “Concerto” Op. 20; Ernest Bloch’s Prayer “From Jewish Life,” No. 1, and Giovanni Bottesini’s “Gran Dueto No. 3.” It will be the first United States performance of the Cerny and Bottesini works. The concert is free and open to the public.

REMININDER NOTICE: The Samuel Becker Grant University Health Service has announced the following schedule changes for December 1-13: the infirmary will close at noon Friday, Dec. 13, and will reopen at 7 a.m. Monday, Jan. 13. The outpatient clinic will close at noon, Tuesday, Dec. 24 and Dec. 31. It will be closed all day Wednesday, Dec. 25 and Jan. 1. Other than the above exceptions, the clinic will be open from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. Physicians will be in attendance from 9 a.m.-noon. For emergency care after regular hours call 533-5858 and ask for the WU main campus physician on call.

“THE CREATION,” a one-act comedy which teeters between fantasy and reality, will be presented by Thyrus, a WU student drama organization, at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12 and 4:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13 in the Drama Studio, Mallinckrodt Center. The play was written by Gene Donahue, a former student at Columbia College, Columbia, Mo. Cast members will include WU students Elizabeth Smith, Eric Boldini, and Gerald Shapiro. The production is free and open to the public.

Observatory Open for Eclipse

A partial eclipse of the sun will be visible in St. Louis Friday morning, Dec. 13. The eclipse will start at 8:06 a.m. and maximum coverage of the sun (54 per cent) will be at 9:24 a.m.; the eclipse will end at 10:51 a.m. Professor Michael Friedlander of the Physics Department warned that direct viewing of the sun can be extremely dangerous if using binoculars or a telescope. The WU Observatory will be open for general viewing Friday morning, during which the image of the sun will be projected onto a screen for indirect and safe viewing. The observatory is located on the roof of Crow Hall.

BROMWOODS CONFERENCE CENTER will be open December 26-30 to WU faculty and associates for informal day or overnight stays. Located on a 70-acre wooded tract an hour and a half from St. Louis near St. Clair in the Ozark foothills, Bromwoods will be made available for other periods by the School of Continuing Education as conference schedules permit. Most rooms in the four sleeping cottages have twin beds with adjacent bath and sliding doors onto a balcony. For the December 26-30 period the rates will be $48 per day, double occupancy, for adults including three country meals. Children under 12 may share parents’ room at $8 per child for three meals. For a descriptive brochure, call Jean Pennington, 363-0100, ext. 4261. Prepaid reservations are requested by December 16.

MUSIC MOODS, a Campus Y happening offering an opportunity to relax while listening to music, is scheduled Thursday, Dec. 12, in the Y Lounge from 12:10-12:55 p.m. Music from the albums of Yma Sumac, “Song of the Humpback Whales,” “Song of the Wolves,” and “Optimum Aviary,” and Rossini’s “Humorous Piano Music: Pleasures and Peccadillos” will be played through the noon hour. The final Music Moods program of the semester is scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 19, at the same location and time.

COPIES OF THE 1974-75 DIRECTORY of Visiting Fulbright-Hays Lectures and Research Scholars are now available at the International Office on campus. The directory gives biographical data and names of approximately 500 persons from 69 foreign countries scheduled to come to the United States this year under the sponsorship of the Fulbright-Hays program.
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12
2 p.m. Technology & Human Affairs Program Seminar, “The Status of County Planning in the U.S.,” Constance A. Miller, Regional Systems Program, Colorado State University. 101 Cupples II.
4 p.m. Department of Chemistry Seminar, “Some Recent Retrogressions on EPR of Triplet States,” Prof. Edel Wasserman, Bell Laboratories and Rutgers University. 311 McMillen Lab.
4:30 p.m. Department of Mathematics Colloquium, “Laplace Operators and Lie Algebra Cohomology,” Prof. Floyd Williams, MIT. 199 Cupples I. Tea at 4 p.m., 222 Cupples I.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15
10 p.m. After Theatre Christmas Party, sponsored by Women’s Building Administrative Office and Women’s Society. Women’s Bldg. Lounge. (See Performing Arts and Music Sections.)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16
7:30 p.m. Program in Technology and Human Affairs Seminar, “Large-Scale Organic Farming,” WU seniors and graduate students. 101 Cupples II.
8:45 p.m. Program in Technology and Human Affairs Seminar, “Vegetable Protein Substitutes,” WU seniors and graduate students. 101 Cupples II.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17
4 p.m. Division of Biology & Biomedical Sciences Special Seminar, “Bacterial Sporulation: A Problem in Developmental Biology,” Prof. Joel Mandelstam, Ivecagh Professor of Microbiology, U. of Oxford. 213 Rebstock.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18
4:30 p.m. Division of Biology & Biomedical Sciences Neural Sciences Program and St. Louis Society for Neurological Sciences Seminar, “Development of the Neocortex in Primates,” Dr. Pasko Rakic, Harvard Medical School. Moore Aud.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12
8 p.m. Thrusys Production, “The Creation,” a one-act play by Gene Donahue. Drama Studio, Mallinckrodt. (Also 4:30 p.m. Friday, December 13)
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14
8 p.m. Special Concert of Dance, Music and Poetry featuring WU Dance Theatre in original compositions choreographed by Annelise Mertz; WU Brass Quintet; The Recorder Group; Willard Cobb, tenor, and Richard Palmer, reader. Edison Theatre. (Also Sunday evening, December 15)

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Marsden Hartley’s, “The Iron Cross,” from the WU Collection, currently on display at Steinberg Hall.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14
3 p.m. WU Wind Ensemble Concert, Dan Presgrave, director. Program to include Reed’s “Russian Christmas Music”; Milhaud’s “Symphony No. 5”; Ives’ “Variations on America”; Hinde-mith’s March from “Symphonic Metamorphosis”; Schumann’s “Chester Overture,” and Nixon’s “Fiesta del Pacifico.” Edison Theatre.

8 p.m. Contrabass Recital, Henry Loew and Carolyn White, members of the St. Louis Symphony, assisted by William Schatzkamer, piano. Graham Chapel.

8 p.m. WU Madrigal Singers, Orland Johnson, director. Christmas program to feature Bach Cantata and international carols. Holmes Lounge.

FILMS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13
7:30 & 9:30 p.m. WU Filmboard Series, “The Devil in Miss Jones,” a St. Louis premiere, admission $1.50; and midnight, Sam Peckinpah’s “The Wild Bunch,” admission $1. Wohl Center Line D.

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“Chinese Painting of Horses,” paintings by Chao Chiung Li, graduate student from Taiwan in WU School of Architecture. All drawings available for purchase. Stix House. Monday-Friday, 2-4 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Through December 16.

Memorabilia of the St. Louis Car Company, including scale models and photographs of vehicles built here from 1932-1973. Level five, Olin Library. Weekdays only, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

SPORTS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14
1:30 p.m. Swimming, WU vs. Illinois Institute of Technology. Wilson Pool.