

NEWS BRIEFS

NASA Film Shows Earlier Fire

Cape Canaveral — The board investigating the explosion of the space shuttle Challenger said on Saturday that a film of the shuttle's last 15 seconds shows an unusual and out-of-the-ordinary spurt of flame apparently originating in the right rocket booster. No NASA officials would speculate on exactly what the observation meant, but other sources said the spurt of flame burned into the adjacent fuel tank, causing the explosion that tragically resulted in the death of the shuttle's seven crew members. The space agency confirmed that the Challenger's astronauts had no warning that the ship was going to explode.

"Queen of Motown" Marries

Switzerland — Singer Diana Ross gave up the role of single mother to become the wife of Norwegian shipping tycoon Arne Naess. Ross, at age 42, and Naess, who is 47, exchanged vows in the tiny village of Romainmotier, Switzerland Saturday with about 200 guests as witnesses, including longtime friends Stevie Wonder and Gregory Peck. The newlyweds posed for photographers for a few brief moments exchanging an embrace and kiss before climbing into a black Mercedes limousine to travel to a private reception at the Beau Rivage Hotel in Lausanne.

Women in Management Seminar

According to an article in the Dec. 2, 1985 *Spotlight*, less than 10 percent of managers are female. However, the numbers are increasing.

Attitudes in the predominantly male-managed world still go against women. A survey in *Spotlight* showed that two-thirds of the female respondents said that it is harder for women to advance in their companies because of males stereotyping women, and 40 percent of male managers agreed.

Dr. Lois Frazier, Professor of Business at Meredith agreed there are problems women face in the managerial field. "It is a great adjustment from college, particularly for the young woman. Sometimes, her lack of mobility can affect her — if she has a husband who won't move to where the job is, or has a family to take care of, then she might have to turn down a great job opportunity."

When asked how Meredith students are prepared for these problems, Frazier said, "We discuss them. We have the students meet people with these problems, and how they solved them." She also added that "Co-ops help the students to explore."

Management Techniques to be Discussed at Meredith

On Thursday, Feb. 6, there will be a seminar in Jones Auditorium beginning at 7:00 p.m. The seminar is co-sponsored by ITT and Meredith College.

The speakers at the seminar are four women who hold managerial positions at ITT. Carol Smith will speak on "Assertive Management Techniques," Betty Haynes will speak on "Training for Leadership in College," Rebecca Horn will speak on "Corporate Image — Dress, Speech, Writing," and Marilyn Wilkerson will speak on "Entry Level Positions and Possible Career Paths."

Mr. Thomas F. Thayer, Vice President and Director, Personnel and Administration, for ITT Telecom Products, will introduce the four speakers.



Marilyn Wilkerson



Rebecca C. Horn



Betsy Haynes

CAMPUS CURRENTS

Students Rank High in Loneliness

National On-Campus Report — Collegians rank high in loneliness, according to a U. of Nebraska researcher. The 18-year study found that college students suffer the loneliness brought on by making serious life decisions while separated from the friends and family of home.

Hispanics Missing From College Roles

National On-Campus Report — Hispanics are much less likely to go to college than are white or black students, according to a new report by the National Council of La Raza. Hispanics make up about 6.4% of the U.S. population, but only 3.9% of U.S. higher education enrollment. The report, "Education of Hispanics: Selected Statistics," said one reason for the low enrollment is that almost half of all Hispanics leave high school without graduating. (Copies of the report are available for \$5 from Publications, National Council of La Raza, 20 F Street, N.W., Second Floor, Washington, D.C. 20001; 202/628-9600.)

Students Discuss Drinking and Driving

National On-Campus Report — Drinking and driving is considered "a very serious problem" by 60% of Illinois drivers, and a "serious problem" by 38%, according to a survey by the U. of Illinois Survey Research Laboratory. A survey by *The Daily Illini*, a student newspaper, found similar attitudes among the UI student population.

Studying May Be a Waste of Time

National On-Campus Report — Studying is a waste of time if it's good grades you're after, according to a recently concluded study at Pennsylvania State U. Ten years of research by two sociologists found that class attendance had a much higher correlation to good grades than time spent studying, which showed very little relationship to high marks.

Overweight Student Cut From Program

National On-Campus Report — Expelled for being too fat, a former Salve Regina College nursing student is suing the school for \$2 million. In August, administrators sent her a letter saying she could not return for her final year of the nursing program because she had failed to live up to her promise to lose two pounds per week. The student had maintained a grade-point-average of 3.6.

Discrimination Causes Walkout

National On-Campus Report — Charging discrimination in university hiring practices, more than 60 black students staged a surprise walkout of classes at Southern Connecticut State U. SCSU's president says that "Southern, in the past, hasn't been quite as responsible as it needed to be in minority concerns."

Teaching: The Abandoned Profession

National On-Campus Report — One of four teachers say they are "very likely" or "fairly likely" to leave teaching and enter some other occupation by 1990, according to a national poll commissioned by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Corporation. The primary reason: low salaries.

Job Prospects Brighter for '86 Graduates

National On-Campus Report — Job prospects for the class of '86 are 2% better than they were for the class of '85, according to the College Placement Council's report *Recruiting '86*. The largest increase: business, up 7%. The largest decrease: engineering, down 5%. (The report is available for \$15 from the College Placement Council, 62 Highland Ave., Bethlehem, PA 18017.)