

Mars Hill College Gets \$99,847 Grant

The W. K. Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek, Mich., has announced a grant of \$99,847 to Mars Hill College to help finance a bold new venture in the college's total academic program.

The money will be used in a 40-month faculty development plan to improve instructional skills and to assist in the implementation of a competency-based curriculum.

Dr. Richard Hoffman, vice president for academic affairs, who guided a large team of faculty member and administrators in formulating the proposal which resulted in the grant, was slated by the news that the trustees of the foundation had approved the gift.

"This grant will enable Mars Hill College to take the next natural step in its continuing pursuit of excellence," he said. "The various innovations through which the college has gone in recent years have been logical and necessary forerunners of our movement toward a curriculum based on competencies."

Such a curriculum is a comparatively new and promising development in higher education. More and more colleges and universities are experimenting with it and considering it as a means of improving teaching and learning.

Under a competency-based curriculum a school identifies certain educational skill and

knowledge competencies which represent fill emotional, intellectual and psychological development of the student. It then tests the student to determine his present levels and develops a series of alternative learning experiences which will help him reach the desired competencies.

A competency-based curriculum is in contrast to the traditional approach in which the institution assumes that a student has achieved these skill and knowledge competencies because he has completed certain courses with an acceptable final grade.

A curriculum based on competency emphasizes the accountability of the institution for the progress of its students. Not all students learn in the same manner; neither do all students have the same capacity for learning. A competency-based curriculum takes these differences into account, and, as a result, exposes different students to different experiences according to their individual learning styles. At the same time, such a curriculum strives to assist each student in the fullest possible development of his or her potentials, whatever they may be.

To finish formulating such a curriculum, to perform the necessary testing and evaluation, and to carry out

such an innovative program will require special training for the Mars Hill faculty. The Kellogg grant will help provide this training by financing in-service workshops and by making release-time possible for faculty members in order that they might prepare themselves to function effectively in a competency-based curricular program.

The grant also will help provide professional consultants and under-write the costs of an orientation program to familiarize the students with the requirements and the possibilities of the new curriculum.

The Kellogg Foundation was

established in 1930 by W. K. Kellogg, the breakfast cereal pioneer, "to help people help themselves." Its assets are worth approximately half a billion dollars, and its annual grants approximate \$20 million. The money goes to an international assortment of organizations and institutions which submit proposals for improving human welfare through agriculture, education or health care.

The philosophy of the foundation's giving is to provide "seed money" for experimental pilot projects which, if successful, can be followed by other communities, institutions or organizations with similar problems.

In announcing the grant to

Mars Hill, the foundation's vice president for programs, Robert E. Kinsinger, said the college "has the potential for pioneering a new faculty development program of significance to many small colleges." He added, "...the foundation will follow your progress with interest and wishes you great success in carrying out this important endeavor."

From its own resources and/or from other sources, Mars Hill will contribute \$114,267 to the venture over the next 40 months a grand total of \$214,114 available for the experiment.

Dr. Fred Bentley, president of the 117-year-old Baptist college, hailed the grant as a compliment and added responsibility on the faculty.

"For the trustees of a great foundation such as Kellogg to recognize the merits of our proposals and to endorse it with such a generous grant is a distinct compliment to the college, especially to the faculty and academic administrators who planned it and must carry it out," he said.

"At the same time," he added, "we realize that this expression of trust calls for wisdom and dedication on our part; but we welcome the responsibility. We have said for years that we are dedicated to excellence in teaching, and I believe this bold experiment is fresh evidence of this dedication."

Bits And Pieces On Paint Fork

It's a beehive of activity out here in Paint Fork. Gardens are promising bountiful harvests. Tobacco plants are bravely starting growth in their new homes. Corn is beginning to yield its green blades to the nourishing warmth of the sun. Marigolds and petunias are nodding their acquaintance to each and all through spring's gentle breezes and rain showers. "What is so rare as a day in June?" Then if ever come perfect days," wrote James Russell Lowell over a hundred years ago.

Complete unusual quiet has reigned in our household since both sons returned with my parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee of Tifton, Ga. for a week's visit. My parents always visited us wherever our travels with the U. S. Forest Service led us, but this was their first visit since we moved to Madison County. They especially enjoyed the mountain laurel, wild honeysuckle and wild azaleas in bloom.

The Paint Fork WMU will meet on Sunday, June 3 at 7:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Junior Anderson on Route 2. Get well wishes are extended to Willard Moxley, Mrs. Oscar Anderson Sr., Mrs. Brown Doan, Mrs. Robert Gardner, and Clarence Metcalf.

Born, a daughter on May 15 to the Rev. and Mrs. Bernard Coffey of Asheville. Rev. Coffey is the pastor of Paint Fork Baptist Church.

Mrs. Telly Johnson of Bluefield, W. Va., a houseguest of Mrs. Jo Franklin of Route 2 has returned home.

Decoration Day at the Gardner Cemetery on Hamburg Rd. will be held on June 3 at 2:00 p. m.

Bouquet for Today: "Every man hath in his own life sinned enough in his own mind trouble enough; so that curiosity after the affairs of others cannot be without envy and an evil mind..." Holy Living

Sleepy Valley In Community Dev. Program

A total of 79 organized community clubs in 15 counties and the Cherokee Indian Reservation have entered the 1973 Western North Carolina Community Development Program, according to Morris L. McGough, executive vice president of the Western North Carolina Development Association and Mrs. Dot Grundstaff, Asheville, area chairman of the program.

One community in Madison County is participating in the program this year. This is the Sleepy Valley Community Club.

The communities are divided into three categories for judging. Division A—(less than 75 families) has 31 communities entered; Division B—(75 - 150 families) has 26 and Division C—(over 150 families) 22 communities.

Miss Crowder, Bride Elect, Is Entertained

Miss Teresa Crowder, bride-elect of Larry Proffitt, was entertained at a bridal luncheon at the Madison Grill on Saturday May 27. Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. Stanley Rice and Mrs. Ralph Rice. A color scheme of green and white was used and Miss Crowder was presented with a

corsage of daisies. Attending in addition to the honoree and the hostesses were Mrs. A. G. Crowder, mother of the honoree, Mrs. A. T. Rice, Miss Karen Payne, Mrs. Joe Rice, Miss Pat Williams, Mrs. Kenneth Rice and Miss Teresa Rice.

Miss Crowder and Mr. Proffitt will be married at Locust Grove Baptist Church on June 3rd.



W. EDGAR GIFT of Kingsport, Tenn. (left) and Dr. Fred Bentley, president of Mars Hill College, examine several volumes of back issues of the famed National Geographic Magazine, which Gift and his wife presented to the college library recently. The volumes contain issues of the years 1919-1926 and 1931-32. The college already had a collection of the magazine extending back to 1921, but the Gifts' contribution extended it back two more years and provided several duplicates. "We are especially happy to receive this gift," said Librarian Jim Wyatt. "This periodical is one of the outstanding publications in the United States. Its value is not measured in dollars but in excellence of format and photography and in accuracy in reporting detail. Mr. Gift included a check for \$100 with the back issues to aid the college library in binding, restoring and preserving the entire collection. (College photo by Walter Smith).

Miss Beulah Wallin Is Bride Of Dennis Freeman

Miss Beulah Wallin became the bride of Dennis Freeman at 7:30 p. m. Saturday, May 26, in the Walnut Creek Baptist Church with the Rev. Gerald Sprinkle, pastor, conducting the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Wallin of Marshall. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Freeman, Jr., also of Marshall.

Given in marriage by her brother, Lee Wallin of Gastonia, the bride wore a floor length gown of polyester lace. Her chapel veil of illusion was attached to a headpiece of lace and pearls.

Miss Sandy Bradley of Marshall was maid of honor. She wore a long green satin gown and carried yellow daisies.

Misses Audrey and Doris Freeman, sisters of the bridegroom, and Miss Kaye Buckner, all of Marshall, were bridesmaids. They wore yellow floor length gowns similar to the honor attendant and carried yellow daisies.

Willie Lewis of Asheville, uncle of the bridegroom, was best man. W. C. Ward, Larry Buckner and James Lewis of Marshall were ushers.

A reception followed.

Mrs. Freeman is a student in dental hygiene at Asheville Buncombe Technical Institute. Her husband is a graduate of Marshall High School and is employed at Quorum Manufacturing Company in Weaverville. The couple will live on Long Branch Road near Marshall.

Engagement

Vestal Caldwell, son of Mrs. Ruby R. Caldwell and the late Swan Caldwell, of Big Pine, will be married in June to Linda Margorie Swindal, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth M. Swindal, of Columbus, Miss.

Miss Swindal is a student at Mississippi State College for Women where she is working on her M. A. Degree in Home Economics.

Mr. Caldwell served with the U. S. Air Force and at

present is employed by Mountain Retreat Assembly at Montreat and is a member of the Navy Reserve of Asheville Unit. He has lived at Presbyterian Home for children since his father's

death. He graduated at Owen High School and Montreat Anderson College. He is a brother of Robert Caldwell, nephew of Annie L. Goforth and also a nephew of Ruble Caldwell of Big Pine.

Miss Silver On UNC Dean's List; Essay Cited

Miss Edna Ann Silver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry G. Silver, of Route 3, Weaverville and formerly of Marshall, is on the Dean's List at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must make a "B" average with no grade lower than a "C" and be carrying an academic load of 15 or more letter-grade semester hours exclusive of required physical education courses.

Miss Silver also received commendation for an essay she wrote which will be used as an example of good writing in the new Freshman Guide for next year.

Miss Silver received the following letter written May 16, 1973:

"Dear Edna Ann, I am writing up part of the new Freshman Guide for next year and would like to use your essay on 'The



Inheritors" as an example of good writing. This would not have a name on it but would simply be used as a sample paper. If it is OK to use it, would you please sign the enclosed sheet and return it to me as soon as you can. The OK is just a formality we go through since we are using your material. Thank you.

Prof. Richard Department of English UNC, Chapel Hill, N. C.

Personal Mention

Mr. and Mrs. Rankin Rice of Route 1, Marshall, spent the week-end at Savannah Beach, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Costic and two children of Virginia Beach Va., spent the week-end with Mrs. Costic's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Waldrop of

Route 2, Marshall, and with other relatives in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Greene and daughter of Winston-

Salem spent the week-end with Mrs. Greene's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wade White of Route 1, Mars Hill.

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Sometimes ago a reader of this column, Gay Macemore of Boonville was kind enough to lend me a copy of Mackenzie's Ten Thousand Receipts, an encyclopedia of practical knowledge published in January, 1867.

In that my conscience has been bothering me over having kept the book over a long period of time, I have recently been leafing through it fairly frequently, knowing that I must get it into the mails right away and into the hands of its owner.

A number of recipes for wild game and other foods included in the book have been especially interesting—so much so that some of them seemed appropriate for Folk Ways and Folk-Speech.

RABBIT PIE
Parboil and then cut up neatly two young rabbits; dry

them over a slow fire for a few minutes. Make a forcemeat to cover the bottom of the dish by pounding a quarter pound of butter with the livers of the rabbits; some pepper and salt, some pounded mace, some chopped parsley, and an eschaliot, thoroughly beaten together. Lay it at the bottom of the dish, and place your rabbits upon it; cover it with paste; and you may lay some thin slices of ready-dressed ham or bacon on the top of your rabbits. Bake it from an hour and half to two hours. When sent to the table add some good gravy, well seasoned and not too thick.

STEWED TERRAPINS
Wash 4 terrapins in warm water, then throw them in a pot of boiling water, which will kill them instantly; let them boil till the shells crack, then take them out and take off the bottom shell, cut each quarter separate, take the gall from the liver, take out the eggs, put the pieces in a stewpan, pour in all the liquor and cover them with water; put in salt, cayenne, and black pepper and a little mace; put in a lump of butter the size of an egg and let them stew for half an hour; make a thickening of flour and water which stir in a few minutes before you take it up with two glasses of wine. Serve it in a deep covered dish, put in the eggs just as you dish it.

INDIAN PONE
Put on one quart of water in a pot; as soon as it boils stir in as much Indian meal as will

make a very thin batter. Beat it frequently while it is boiling, which will require ten minutes; then take it off, pour it in a pan, and add one ounce of butter, and salt to taste. When the batter is lukewarm, stir in as much Indian meal as will make it quite thick. Set it away to rise in the evening; in the morning make it out in small cakes, butter your tins, and bake in a moderate oven. This cake requires no yeast.

BLACKBERRY MUSH
Put your fruit in a preserving kettle; mash it to a pulp, with sugar enough to make it quite sweet. Set it over the fire, and as soon as it begins to simmer, stir in very gradually two teaspoonsful of flour to a quart of fruit. It should be stirred all the time it is boiling. Serve it either warm or cold, with cream.

CALF'S-FOOT JELLY
Split the feet, and soak them in cold water four or five hours; wash them and boil in

6 quarts of water; when it is reduced one-half strain it through a colander, and skim off all the fat that is on top; set it away to cool, and when the jelly is very stiff, wipe it with a towel to take off any grease that should remain; cut it in pieces, and pare off all the dark parts; put it in your preserving kettle, with 3 gills of wine, the juice and peel of 2 lemons, sugar and mace to your taste, and the shells and whites of 6 eggs; after it has boiled twenty minutes, pour in some cold water to make it settle; if any scum arises, take it off; let it boil five minutes longer, and take it off the fire, keep it covered for about an hour; when done, strain it through a bag that has been dipped in hot water, and put it in your glasses.

If there are readers who have old time recipes which they would like to share, I'll be pleased to use them in this column from time to time.

PROUD GRANDPARENTS
Grandparents are always quite proud of the accomplishments of their grandchild but Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Chandler, of Marshall Route 4, are DOUBLY proud, and rightfully so.

Joyce Hudson was Valedictorian of the graduating class at Laurel High School this year and Raymond Chandler was Salutatorian.

Both outstanding students are the grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Chandler.

GRADUATES
Mrs. Richard G. Franklin of Swannanoa, the former Miss Joyce Goforth, a 1969 graduate of Marshall High School, graduated from Warren Wilson College on Friday, May 11. She was honored on Awards Night with a Scholar's Medal which signified that she held a 3.50 average through her senior year.

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