

Northeast Today

June 28, 1976

JULY 5 is a University holiday. All offices will be closed and classes will not be held. Happy Birthday, U.S.A.!

DON'T FORGET ... Undergraduate applications for graduation are due in the Office of the Registrar no later than Friday.

THE NATIONAL BELL RINGING CEREMONY begins at 1 p.m. Sunday, July 4. The University will participate by ringing a historic bell which has been housed in the E.M. Violette Museum since its use as a civil defense warning bell on the University campus during World Wars I and II.

The bell will be rung in front of Kirk Memorial near the Bicentennial tree. Following the ceremony, the public (especially children) is invited to take turns ringing it.

The ceremony is being directed by the University's Bicentennial Committee with assistance from Blue Key and Circle K.

THE STATE COORDINATING BOARD For Higher Education will meet July 11 and 12 in Jefferson City. The University, and Missouri's other public colleges and universities, will make a presentation of its capital improvement priorities.

THEATRICALY SPEAKING ... The University Players production scheduled for 1976-77 is: "Showcase '76," Sept. 22-23; "Godspell," Oct. 12-14; "The Philanthropist," Nov. 16-20; "The Marriage of Figaro," February 16 and 18; "Charley's Aunt," March 22-26; and "Students' Shows," April 25-27.

DESKS, BEDS, TYPEWRITERS, kitchen equipment, lawnmowers, manual and electric calculators are among the items to be included in a public auction of the University's surplus property scheduled for August 7 at the old air base north of town. Today through Wednesday are the last days University personnel can take a look at the equipment and appropriate it for campus use. Max Mulford in the Maintenance

Department should be contacted if any items need to be stored at the air base or brought to campus.

More details in Northeast Today next month.

IT'S THE LONGEST, TALLEST, FASTEST roller coaster in the world ... the new Screamin' Eagle at Six Flags Over Mid-America. All University personnel and their families are eligible for reduced admission fees upon presentation of a Fun Seekers Club membership card. Discounts are available on motel and hotels and rent-a-cars too. Stop by the Public Relations office or call ext. 7213 if you're interested.

A RESIDENCE HALL RENOVATION PROGRAM is underway in Missouri, Dobson and Ryle Halls under the direction of the Division of Student Services. Dean Terry Smith said that the lounge areas in Missouri and Ryle Halls are currently being "dressed up" and work is in progress to construct lounge areas in Dobson. The renovation will be completed in phases, the first part to be completed before the fall semester begins and the second over the Christmas break.

WORKSHOPS AND CAMPS THIS WEEK "Chamber Music Summer Session," yesterday through Friday, Robert Luke, director; "Exciting and Innovative Learning Opportunities in Nutrition," today through Friday, Lydia Inman, director; "Criminal Psychology," today through July 9, Sal Costa, director. This week's Thousand Hills camps are girls' tennis, gymnastics, and high school jazz.

THE '76 SUMMER AG DEMO DAY begins at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the old air base north of town. Everyone is invited to come out and view the 151 plots set out by University agriculture students. The seed companies represented in the project will host a lunch at the site for those attending.

AND FINALLY ... In opening remarks during a meeting of the Governor's Conference on Education held last Wednesday on campus, Gov. Bond cited several alarming statistics to support his contention that "all is not well" in the nation's educational system. Fifteen million of the young people in our high schools are functionally illiterate, 1/3 of our high school graduates cannot pass a 5th grade Armed Forces examination and 750,000 of our young people enter the unemployment ranks each year. This despite the fact that as a nation we are spending more and more money for education than in the past.

The question we need to ask ourselves, Bond said, is whether we have had an increase in quality to correspond with the increase in cost.

Approximately 400 area citizens participated in the conference which heard a keynote address by Dr. James A. Thomas, former dean of the Graduate School of Education at the University of Chicago, and a response by Dr. Willard Abraham, chairman of the Department of Special Education at Arizona State University. Participants then divided into small groups and had an opportunity to express their views on accountability, early childhood and parent education, educational finance, governance and vocational education.

FACULTY NOTES ... Bill Cable, Sports Information, attended a workshop of the College Sports Information Directors of America June 19-25 in Cincinnati.....
Marlow Ediger, Education, had an article entitled "Teacher Education: School and University Responsibility" accepted for publication in the College Student Journal.....Dale Woods, Mathematics, attended a meeting of the Society of Industrial and Applied Math June 16-18 in Chicago.....Everett Porter, Language and Literature, has been named a regional judge for the 1976 National Council of Teachers of English Achievement Awards in Writing Program.