

Dear colleagues, students, and staff members:

I have been able to reach some but not all of you to convey some information I want you to get directly from me. I have requested the University administration and trustees that I be returned to full time teaching, research, writing, and editorial work no later than the end of the 1988 spring semester. By that time I will be in my 25th year as dean. (Hard to believe.)

The faculty will elect 4 standing members and the student group 2 members to a committee to search for a new dean. There should be ample time to find a well qualified person and I am asking you to give the committee, when formed, your help and cooperation. I look forward to the opportunity to spend more time with my students, research, and writing as professor at The Annenberg School. I have worked hard to make our School a place where good innovative and challenging work can be supported. Now let me taste a bit more of the pudding, looking, as usual, for the evidence.

George Gerbner