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# Spirit intense at WSU

By GARY RAMSEY  
Staff reporter

"The spirit at WSU is tremendous now. It's just unbelievable the way the students attend the games since the accident," said Pauline Smith, Wichita sophomore and Wichita State University cheerleader.

There were 10,387 people at the game with the Louisville Cardinals, large crowd considering it was Thanksgiving holiday.

Said Capt. George Smith of the Wichita Police Department, "The 'second season' is what we are calling it. Since the plane crash our boys have been playing their hearts out to win and all the games have been

good ones.

Wichita State had only played two or three games before the "tragic crash" Mr. Smith said, "and our team is now playing with three seniors, a couple of juniors, and mostly freshmen and sophomores."

Wichita scored in the first few minutes of the game and led the Cardinals 7-0.

The game progressed and the Wichita Shockers kicked a field goal to make the score 10-0 and the crowd counted down every point the team scored.

The team out-played the Cardinals the first half of the ball game to leave the field with a 17-14 lead at half-time.

When the second half started the Cardinals rallied to take a four point lead with a touch-

down and conversion point.

Pam Schmedeman, Wichita junior and cheerleader said, "I have never seen the spirit of the student body or the fans so great as the spirit we have had during the second season."

She said at their game with Arkansas they were losing 65-0 when the team kicked a field goal. The crowd yelled as if they had won the game.

It was in the fourth quarter that the Cardinals started moving, took a 34-24 lead, and won the game.

"The spirit and the playing was great said, Dave Lewis who survived the crash. This is the type of memorial we are going to leave for those who lost their lives. Next year we are going to have a winning team.

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Huntington, W.Va

## MU students spend night at Wichita

By JOHN WILSON  
Staff reporter

Wichita is 950 miles from Huntington. However, for five Marshall students the distance seemed bridged as they met students of Wichita State University and shared the grief both schools suffered from their air tragedies.

Student journalists Tommie Denny, Nitro senior; Gary Ramsey, Huntington senior; Susan Casali, Beckley senior; Tom Browning, Chesapeake, Ohio, senior, and John Wilson, Milton junior, traveled by car to Wichita, Kan., as representatives from The Parthenon to cover "The Night of Stars."

The Marshall students said their most rewarding experience was spending an evening with two Wichita students who were deeply affected by their airplane crash. Dave Lewis was one of eight football players to survive the crash. Mike Tinnin, who lost his roommate, was injured and did not make the trip.

Tinnin and Lewis stopped by one of the Marshall student's room in a Wichita dormitory for a few drinks. Miss Denny said, "The conversation started out awkwardly but somehow the subject turned to the airplane crashes and we found that we all wanted to talk about them. We could relate to them so closely by sharing the tragedies that both schools felt."

Lewis described the ordeal of the crash, the manner he escaped from the plane, and the horror of seeing his teammate reach out his hand to him as he was burned alive.

Tinnin, sitting on a desk with a drink in his hand, sadly glanced around the room and said, "This used to be our room."

The Wichita group said when they heard of the Marshall tragedy they couldn't believe the same thing had happened all over.

Browning said, "After talking to Dave, Mike and the families of other victims, I realized that after two months they are still trying to orient themselves to making adjustments and to go on living."

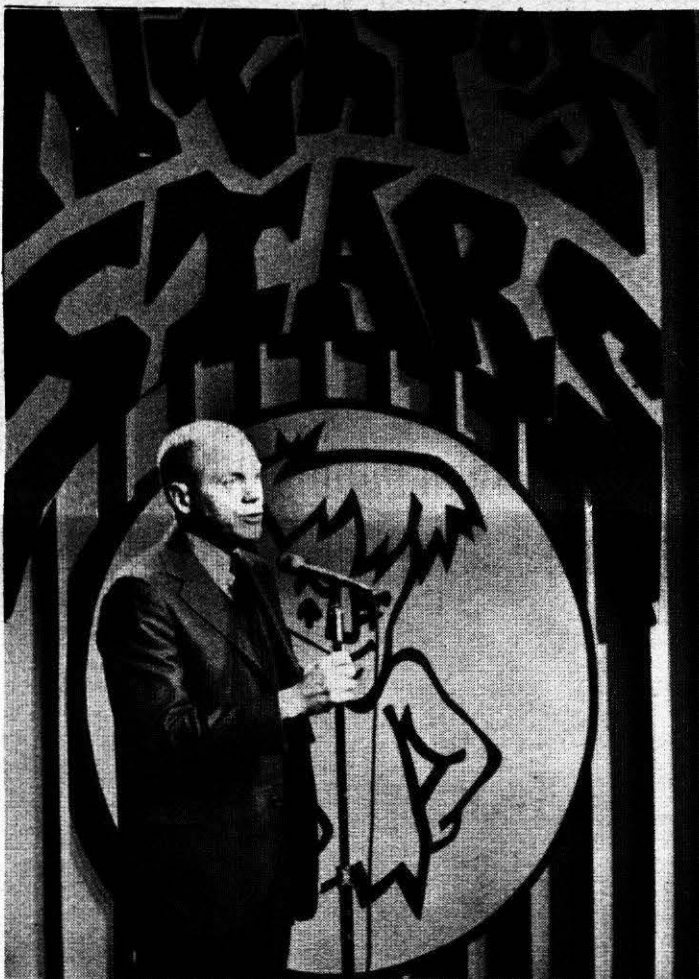


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DR. DEDMON AT WICHITA  
Dedicates MU to assist survivors

## Wichita, friends in a tragic time

Wichita, Kan., and Huntington, W. Va., have something in common.

Both were struck by the same type of tragedy.

Both are concerned deeply about trying to move forward while holding onto memories.

Both are doing all they can to help, and are willing to go to any extent to do so.

We drove into Wichita, made one phone call, and it seemed like the whole city was concerned about our welfare while we were there.

That phone call was to Max Scheible, director of information at Wichita State University. He immediately set to work and found us free rooms on campus, arranged to get us tickets for the Shocker's (Wichita State's athletic nickname) last game with the University of Louisville, and rounded up tickets for the "Night of Stars," a feat on itself due to a sell-out crowd.

It seemed like all we had to say was, "We're from Marshall University" and doors opened to us everywhere.

No one was too busy to point out directions to us or even escort us to where we were going. No one was too concerned with last minute preparations for the television show to ask us if we had good seats. And no one was too tired to stop and talk to us about our campus, our town, and our team.

To us, the stage performers were great and so unselfish to give of their time and talents. But the real stars of the event were the people of Wichita and the staff and students of Wichita State University. We're their biggest fans -- as well as their friends.

TOMMIE DENNY  
News editor

## 'Night of Stars' tremendous show

By TOM BROWNING  
Staff reporter

Despite frustration and fast pace, the Wichita State University "Night of Stars" benefit show went off spectacularly Saturday night before a capacity audience.

Door receipts totaling \$175,000 will go to the WSU fund. Mail donations will be divided equally between Marshall and WSU.

The stars, introduced by master of ceremonies Monty Hall, were Bill Cosby, Mac Davis, Leif Erickson, Phil Ford and Mimi Hines; George Gobel, Marilyn Maye, Minnie Pearl, Lou Rawls, Kate Smith, The Young Americans, and Humble Pie, a rock group.

Hall opened the benefit by stating that money raised would be used for scholarships in memory of those who lost their lives in the air tragedies.

Dr. Donald N. Dedmon, acting president of Marshall, was introduced. The following is the text of the speech he gave which was heard throughout the country:

"Two weeks ago tonight, Marshall University experienced an unbelievable disaster. And no one better understood the nature of that disaster and the anguish of our university community than did President Clark B. Ahlberg of Wichita State.

"President Ahlberg immediately invited Marshall to participate in this program. At the time we first talked, we had only begun the grim task of identifying the bodies of the 75 student athletes, staff, fans, and crew members killed in the crash. Today, we are only five days from the final funeral. . . the combined rites for six student athletes who were not individually identified.

"Frankly, for many of us, it would be easier to begin recovering from this grief quietly. The pain of headlines and the national spotlight is all too sharp.

"But, we concluded that we at Marshall University have an obligation which rises above our

very human reactions; an obligation to do all within our power to assist the families of those who died so suddenly and shockingly two weeks ago.

"Our grief is too new and overwhelming to have yet given way to long range planning. At this time, the University cannot begin to anticipate the wide range of needs which must be met. But we have, in these first days, dedicated ourselves to caring for those whose family fabric has been so unmercifully torn apart.

"In this task, we are deeply grateful to the many performers who have volunteered their talents, to the warm and understanding people of Wichita, and to you, throughout the country, who have grieved with us and sought to help."

After the performances, Hall concluded the show by requesting that people listening make a square deal for the two universities and families of those who died.

## Plane crash Regents topic

CHARLESTON — (AP) — Discussion of the 75-death jetliner disaster that claimed most of the Marshall University football team and coaching staff Nov. 14 is expected to consume much of Tuesday's session of the West Virginia Board of Regents.

A board spokesman said discussion of the tragedy - the worst air disaster in American sports history - is one of the major items on the board's agenda for its December meeting.

Although the board may adopt a resolution concerning the DC9 crash, it is not known what else will happen at the meeting.

The selection of a new Marshall president is not on the agenda.



# Telethon response 'good'

By KATHLEEN BERGERON  
Staff reporter

Contributions for the Marshall University Memorial Fund are coming in, but there is no indication yet as to what the total will be, according to John Callebs, director of development.

Proceeds from the Wichita State-Marshall University benefit telethon, "Night of Stars," aired on Saturday will also be added to the fund.

A total of 359 pieces of mail containing contributions from the "Night of Stars" benefit telecast for dependent survivors of the Wichita State and Marshall plane crashes were received at the Fourth National Bank and Trust Co. Monday.

"I'm surprised that even that many were received," said

H.R. Reidenbaugh, executive vice president of WSU's board of Trustees. "We will have to wait and see tomorrow today and Wednesday how successful it is going to be. . . I truly hope this is an indication of what will happen."

"It is too early to say how much money the program will raise," Callebs said about the show which featured some of the nations leading show business personalities.

Wichita State will get the \$175,000 proceeds from tickets sold for the program, but mail-in proceeds from the telethon will be divided equally, Callebs said. He further explained that funds sent directly to Marshall and not designated for the telethon will not be divided with Wichita State, but would be directed toward the Memorial Fund.

The Marshall Memorial Fund was established to centralize all donations that are sent to Marshall in memory of the Nov. 14 tragedy, according to Callebs.

Some of the donations that have come in have been directed to the creation of a memorial, others are marked for the children of survivors or will be used to rebuild the athletic program, according to Callebs.

The board has not yet decided how to use the unrestricted funds, but Callebs said some of the money could be directed toward scholarship programs or direct assistance for those affected by the crash.

According to the Nov. 24 tally, \$12,260 for the Memorial Fund had been collected through the Office of Finance. Of this amount, \$10,825 are unrestricted donations.

Joseph Peters, director of finance, pointed out that money for the fund was not only being sent through his office, but other offices throughout the University, and it will take a while to coordinate everything.

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### TO THE EDITOR:

The tremendous devotion that you, your staff-members, and faculty sponsors have shown in the production of the memorial edition of The Parthenon is heart-warming to all the Marshall community.

Though mine is but one voice, I am sure I echo the sentiments of all who will read and treasure this edition when I say "Thank you." You have given us a memorial edition that is perceptive of the vast scope of our tragedy and yet sensitive to the personal involvement of grief for each individual.

Best of all, the edition is beautifully designed not only as a superbly appropriate tribute, but also as a wonderful statement of renewed dedication to Marshall's future in memory of our departed loved ones.

Will you please convey to all those who shared in this work my personal thanks and commendation.

DR. A. MERVIN TYSON  
Vice President  
Academic Affairs

### TO THE EDITOR:

I am sure I speak for our entire community when I tell you that the memorial edition of The Parthenon is a most moving tribute to all of those who lost their lives in the recent plane crash. I want you and your colleagues to know that we are not unmindful of the all-night hours required to produce such an edition.

The paper contains so much information that in time will soften the terrible pain experienced by so many relatives and friends. I am personally proud of the journalistic excellence which characterizes the paper from black page one to the closing color page.

The understanding and cooperation of all of you on The Parthenon staff, as well as in the journalism department, have been a source of inspiration and encouragement during this, Marshall's darkest hour.

Please convey my sentiments of commendation and appreciation to all your colleagues.

DONALD N. DEDMON  
Executive Vice President  
and Acting President

### TO THE EDITOR:

The memorial issue of The Parthenon is journalism in its grandest form. The articles depict in words a depth of emotion and sentiment that represents the great human spirit that embodies the essential and salient characteristics of Marshall University.

DR. STEWART H. SMITH  
President emeritus  
of Marshall University  
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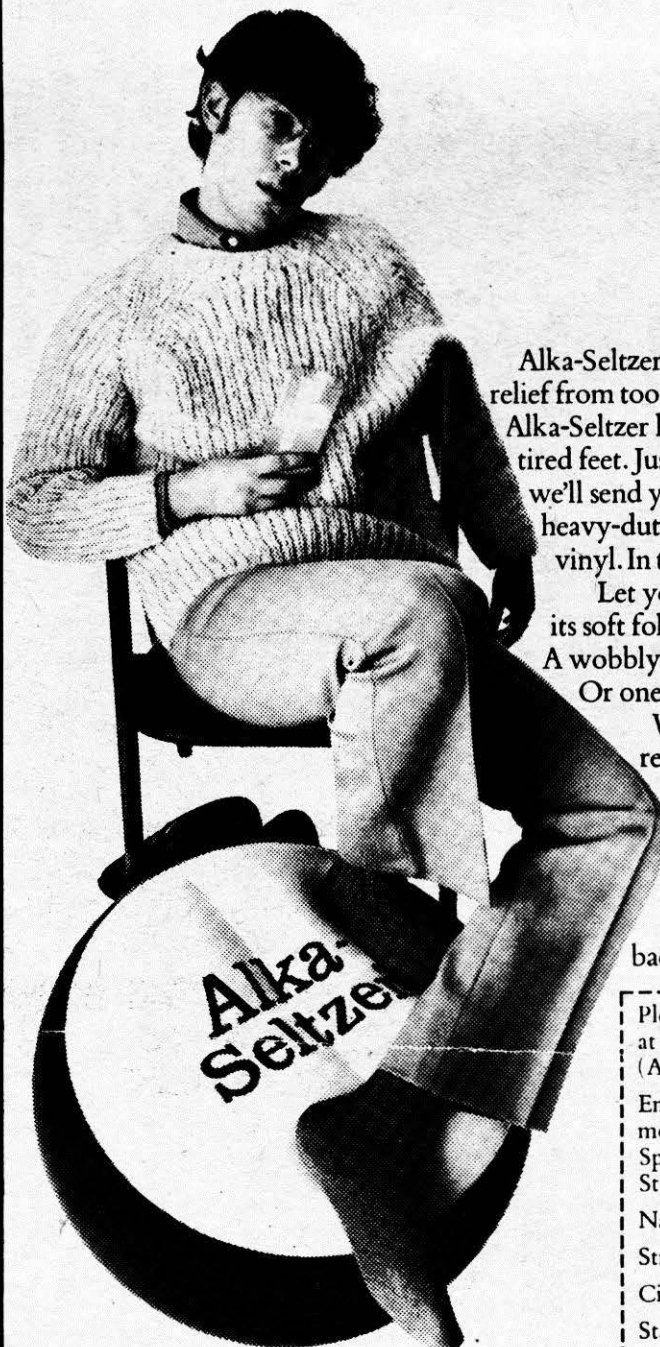
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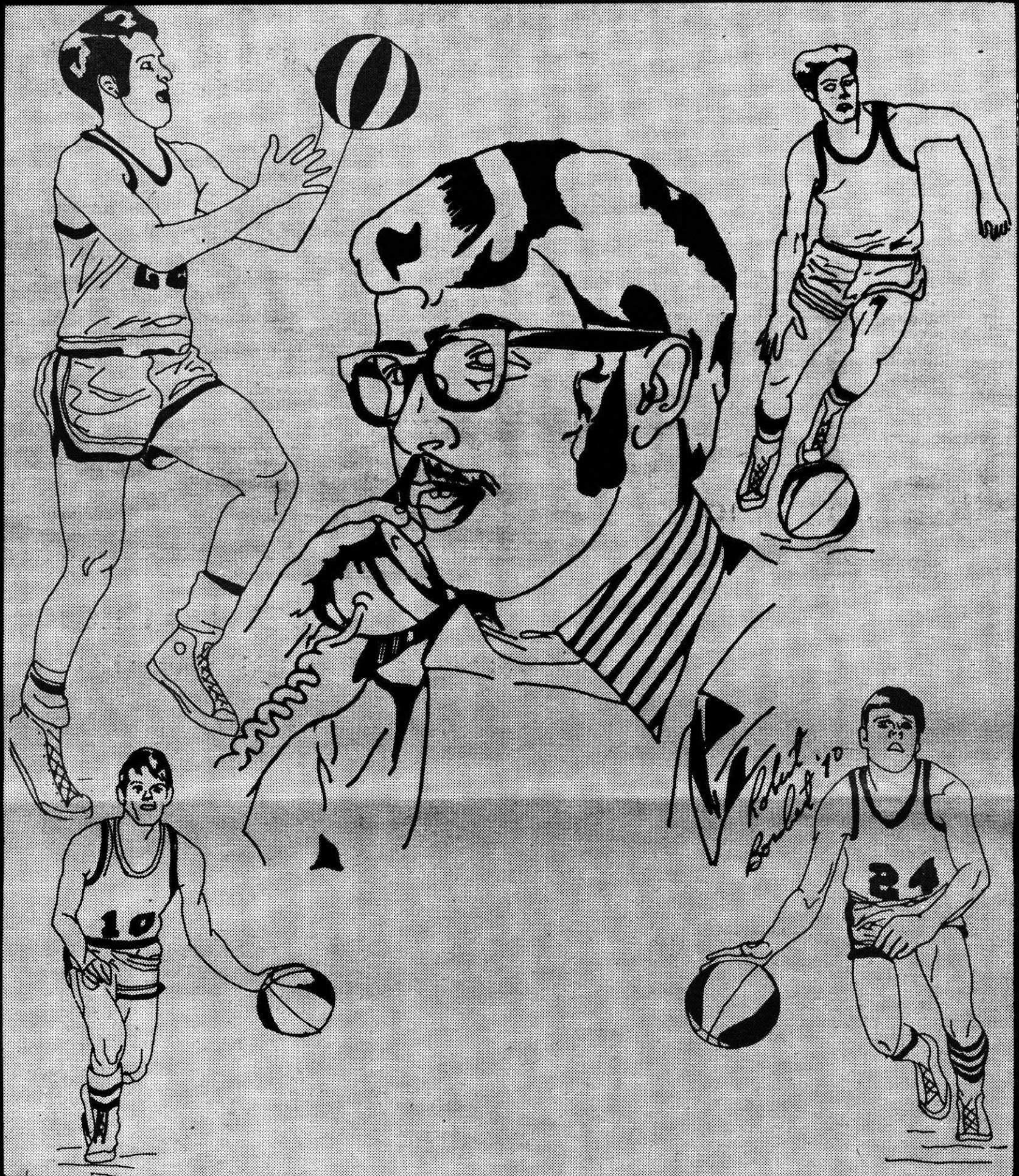
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## BASKETBALL

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# Season opens amidst gloom

By TIM MASSEY  
Graduate Journalist

Ready or not, Marshall University's basketball team embarks on its 1970-71 campaign against visiting Presbyterian Wednesday night in the midst of the gloomiest period in the school's athletic history.

Since the heydays of Coach Cam Henderson, basketball has served as the great stimulator of Big Green sports fans. Never have they needed a spiritual lift more than now.

Coach Stewart Way, still visibly shaken from the effects of the fiery plane crash that claimed so many of his close friends, isn't so sure his squad can provide that lift.

### WAY DISCOURAGED

"I'd like to think we can have a winning season," Way said cautiously, "but, right now I'm not sure what will come of this year. Practices so far have been discouraging."

Most discouraging to Way, who was named head coach this season after acting in that capacity last year, is the absence of team work.

"I came into the season with a definite starting team in mind," explained Way. "I figured on using Mike D'Antoni, Bob DePathy, Blaine Henry, Dave Smith and Russell Lee.

"Now, I don't know who will be starting against Presbyterian."

### PRACTICE DIFFICULTIES

Practice difficulties began when D'Antoni, the promising sophomore ball-handler, sustained an ankle sprain.

"Without Mike in there we don't have a quarterback," Way pointed out. "We've tried about everyone else at guard, but they just can't get the job done."

D'Antoni, who began trotting for the first time in several weeks last Monday, is expected to be ready to play soon. But, there are other problems.

### MISSED PRACTICE

"Before the crash, the entire squad practiced together only six times," he moaned. "How can you develop a team under those kind of circumstances?"

Smith, the hulking 6-6, 240-pound veteran center, missed several days of practice to attend the funerals of two former Dayton high school teammates who were aboard the ill-fated Wichita State football plane.

As a result of the loss of work, Smith is about 10 pounds overweight.

"I told him he would have to get down to 230," Way said. "At the last weigh-in, he was 238 pounds. He has to lose some of that to be effective."

And, the crash has been devastating to the team's concentration.

### COMMON LOSS

"We all have a common loss," said the veteran of 28 years of high school coaching. "It will be

quite some time before we get back in the swing of things."

Even when his present group of players begin playing together, Way isn't overly optimistic about their potential this season.

"We've got a good 1950 team," he quipped. "To excel against the kind of competition we play, you have to have a center taller than 6-6."

### ALL ISN'T GLOOM

All isn't gloom, however. Marshall fans are assured of being treated to the traditional Thundering Herd fast break.

If D'Antoni is going full speed, spectators will be seeing one of the slickest dribblers in the country.

"No doubt about it, Mike could become one of the finest guards in the nation before he's through here," Way beamed. "He has all the tools. He can shoot, pass, dribble and play defense."

"But, first he has to play. He hasn't had a history of ankle problems, so this injury should be temporary."

### PLAYERS IMPRESSIVE

D'Antoni, brother of freshman coach Danny D'Antoni, averaged more than 22 points a game as a freshmen and led the team in assists.

Then there's Russell Lee, the most highly-touted high school athlete to enter Marshall since Leo Byrd. The flashy 6-5, 195-pound junior could live up to all that promise if one is to look at

his impressive statistics during the past two seasons.

The center-forward averaged 24 points, and over nine rebounds a game as a sophomore. And, he did it with a flourish.

That flourish is a source of consternation for coach Way.

"When Russell decides he wants to discipline himself," Way observed, "he will find he is as good as anyone in the annals of Marshall."

### DISCIPLINE NEEDED

"Everybody knows Russell wants to play professional ball, but he thinks he has to prove it every time he goes out on the floor."

That discipline Way was discussing includes Lee learning to play as a member of the team. For even with his outstanding individual statistics last season, Marshall finished with a 9-14 record.

"For us to have a winning season, Henry has to play consistently, DePathy has to score and Smith has to play on both ends of the floor," Way analyzed.

He also is counting on reserve help from 6-8 Willie Wilcox, a junior college transfer and 6-7 Bill Bertalan, a 6-7, 215-pounder who was redshirted last season.

"Anybody 6-8 has to be a factor in our plans," Way said of Wilcox. "He's really improving. His big trouble is he wasn't told that he could

become a basketball player if he worked at it."

### FRONTCOURT HELP

The team will also get some frontcourt help during the second semester when 6-7 Barry Driscoll, a junior college standout who has to sit out a year of ineligibility.

Tyrone Collins, a muscular 6-2, 200-pound sophomore, averaged over 30 points a game

as a freshman, but he's having difficulties making the transition to varsity competition.

"He's a great shooter, but he has to work on his ball handling and defense," Way observed. "There aren't many 6-2 forwards in college these days."

There's help on the way for the Big Green, however. Waiting out a year of ineligibility is 6-8 Randy Noll, a

transfer student from the University of Kentucky and a former all-stater at Covington Catholic High School.

"He's the caliber player Marshall has to have to win," Way said, "and we have some more on the way. But, we're a year away."

Meanwhile, there's 1970.

## Cage season tickets available

Basketball season ticket sales are about the same as last year, according to James H. Hodges Jr., assistant business manager of athletics.

Season tickets are available in Gullickson Hall, Room 116 Hodges said, and the price is \$36 which includes home games only.

Students can get into the games the first week by presenting their ID and activity

card but for future games they must obtain their tickets at Gullickson prior to the game.

According to Hodges there were 4,100 tickets available at the beginning of the selling season.

Memorial Field House, Home of MU Basketball, was first built in 1950 as a direct result of the MU 1947 National Association Intercollegiate Basketball (NAIB) cham-

ionship, according to Joe Wortham, acting sports information director.

The field house has a seating capacity of 6,350 for basketball and 7,500 for concerts.

Even though the ticket sales are approximately the same as last years the athletic department is expecting a larger sale this year.

For those of us who knew, loved and lost those "Sons of Marshall" we will never forget November 14, 1970. For those who will come later there will be a memorial on campus, possibly a renamed stadium and other fitting and lasting tributes so that they will not forget. For those of us who worked and played with Jeff Nathan, one of the 75 and The Parthenon's sports editor, we will never forget our friend and fellow journalist. This special basketball edition was Jeff's. He had been working on it for weeks and as always he showed the enthusiasm that stemmed from a true love of Marshall and a sincere dedication to The Parthenon. We of The Parthenon staff have built our own kind of memorial to Jeff: the kind he will like best of all--this special basketball edition. A drawing of Jeff is part of the cover. A good edition of The Parthenon was important to Jeff and if it involved Marshall sports it just better be perfect. Well Jeff, we've completed the edition. We just hope you'll forgive us for not making it perfect. You see, we miss you around The Parthenon. And all of us who put this edition together just hope that we did a good job for Marshall's Thundering Herd. Because if we did, we know that would be the best tribute we could give you.

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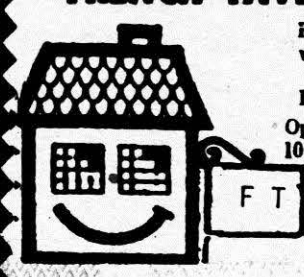
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# Varsity coaches deep in court skills



**STEWART WAY**  
Begins 2nd season

The varsity coaching staff for the 1970-71 basketball season includes veteran W. Stewart "Tooie" Way, at Marshall since 1966, and Carl R. Tacy, former Ferrum Junior College head coach.

As head coach for last season, coach Way compiled a 9-14 record. At Ferrum, coach Tacy's cagers ran up a 67-14 record.

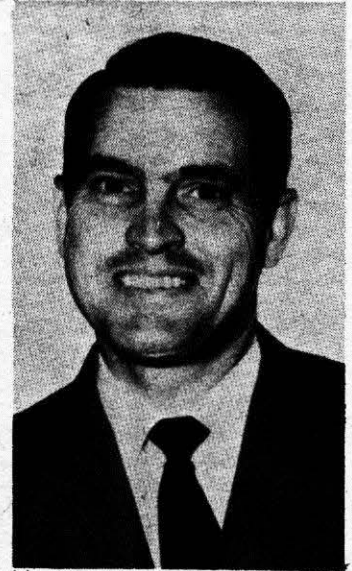
Prior to coming to Marshall Way coached 19 winning teams in 21 seasons at Huntington High School, including one state championship team and two runners-up. Before taking the helm of the Pony Express Way coached seven years at Scott High in Madison where he took the Skyhawks to the state tournament for the only appearance in that school's history.

A native of West Virginia, Tacy was born in Huttonsville and graduated from Davis and

Elkins College where he played four years varsity basketball.

Also a veteran high school coach, he spent one year at Kenbridge High School, two years at Bedford High School and seven years at Pulaski High School, all in Virginia. His record at Pulaski was 110-34 and he also guided the team to the state Group 1B championship in 1965.

In accepting the Marshall appointment, Tacy said, "I am leaving Ferrum with the memory of a fine association during the past three years, but I am looking forward to joining the Marshall basketball program and working with its highly respected head coach Stewart Way. I am also quite pleased to be returning to my native state in a coaching capacity with a school playing the major schedule that Marshall does."



**CARL TACY**  
New assistant

## Herd cagers face nine new teams

By **CHUCK LANDON**  
Staff writer

Marshall's 1970-71 basketball edition of the Thundering Herd will play nine teams they've never played before in trying to better last season's 9-14 record.

Out of the nine new opponents, seven will meet MU at Memorial Fieldhouse.

Marshall will meet Coach Bob Conibear's Bowling Green State University Falcons for two games. Although MU lost both meetings during the 1970 season, this could be the Falcons' year for revenge. Bowling Green lost 40 points of last year's offense to graduation in the forms of Jim Penix, Mid-American Conference player of the year, and Dan McLemore, MAC first-team forward. However, BG also has 6-7 center Jim Connally, forward Rich Walker and Bob Quayle returning for their final campaign.

ALTHOUGH THREE starters return from last season's 16-8 squad, Miami University (Ohio) must replace its entire front line for 1971. Gerry Sears, Mike Wren, Darrell Dunlap and Tim Meyer return with Steve Handy, 6-8, and Larry Garloch, 6-3, as the best newcomers. However, as in 1970's two wins over MU, the trademark of coach Darrell Hendric's Redskins will be tight defense.

Like Bowling Green, Toledo University lost only two starters, but with them went much of their scoring punch. Coach Robert Nichols has guards Steve Shay and Tim Harman returning, along with 7-0 center Doug Hess. However, Toledo has little depth and must

### D'Antoni coach of frosh squad

Following an outstanding college basketball career with the Thundering Herd, Danny D'Antoni made his coaching debut last year as coach of the freshman basketball squad.

D'Antoni's "Little Herd" compiled a 9-3 record, averaging 100.7 points per game. Included was a 125-point effort against Pikeville.

D'Antoni scored 1,109 points while playing for Marshall, making him the 16th highest scorer in Marshall history and the 20th member of the 1,000 point club.

depend on two sophomores to fill the gaps at forward.

Western Michigan University has essentially the same team that MU defeated twice in 1970. However, there will be one new face, as Eldon Miller makes his debut as head basketball coach. Returning will be guards Earl Harper and John Sperla, along with forward Bill VanderWoude and center Earl Jenkins.

OU LOST GREG McDivitt and John Canine, who were drafted by two professional basketball teams, to graduation. But, 6-8 center Craig Love and guard Ken Kowall will return and start with forwards Bob Howell and Todd Lolich and guard Tommy Corde.

Morehead State University coach Bill Harrell has only one full-time regular returning from last season's 13-11 team, but he is 6-8 all-conference Jim Day, who averaged 22 points a game and 10.5 rebounds per contest.

Marshall will again meet Morris Harvey College for two games in 1971. Morris Harvey will have 6-4 sophomore center Henry Dickerson, sophomore Kevin Merchant, and junior guards Bobby Wesley and Jim Fout returning from last year's team. Newcomers who should help are Dale Angle and Sam Gilkeson.

Purdue University will be making its debut as a MU opponent. Although coach George King lost All-American Rick Mount, he has the other four starters back for another year of basketball. Heading the list of returnees are guard Larry Weatherford, 6-7 Bob Ford, 6-6 George Faerber and 6-7 Bill Franklin.

LITTLE KNOWN Samford University will be meeting Marshall for the initial time in 1971. Samford hopes to better their 16-9 1970 record, as only

one starter was lost. Guard-forward Sherman Hogan, who averaged 21.3 points a game; Randy Long, 18.1 points a game; Otha Mitchell, 16.7 points per contest and 6-9 center Rod Behrens, return along with 6-9 newcomer Mike Agin.

After a one-year lay-off, MU will once again play Eastern Carolina University. Coach Tom Quinn lost the two highest scorers from last year's team, but returning are 6-7 Jim Gregory, 16.5 points per contest, and 6-7 Jim Modlin, 18.5 points per game. The top newcomer is 6-10 sophomore Al Faber.

La Salle College will be opening the 1971 season with their third new coach in four years. Paul Westhead inherits a 14.12 club with four starters returning. Heading the list of veterans is 6-7 All-American Ken Durrett, 24.3 points a game; Bob Fields, 16.4 points a game; Ron Kennedy, and Greg Cannon.

MU will be trying to even the series against Saint Peters, as

the Herd trails 2-1. Coach Don Kennedy has Rich Rinaldi, 23.4 points per game; Ted Martiniuk, 14.5 points a game and Tony Holn, 8.3 points a game;

returning from last season's fourth best scoring team in the nation.

NOT SINCE MU defeated George Washington College in 1961 have the two teams met on the hardwood. However, new basketball coach Wayne Dobbs has nine of 10 letterman returning. Mike Tallent, 21.1 points a game; Walt Szczerbiak, 17.2 points per contest and Ronnie Nunn; are the top veterans.

The University of Miami (Fla.) has one returnee and coach Ron Godfrey is busy with a rebuilding program. Willie Allen, 17.1 points a game, is the only veteran. Godfrey is pinning much of his hopes of 7-0 center Dave Kisker and transfer Kevin O'Riordan.

After an absence of two years, Saint Francis College (Pa.) is appearing on the Marshall

schedule. Coach John Hiller will be trying to better the 1970 record of 13-12, as all five starters return for another campaign. Kevin Porter, 24.8 points a game; Joe Hazinsky, 14.6 points a game; Sam Sloan; Alan Spencer and 6-11 center Mike Copeland are veterans. Cleveland State University's basketball team has ten lettermen and all five starters back from last season. Returning are LaMoyné Porter, John Neale, Eddie Trice, Mike Guilfoyle and Sam Thomas.

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## Lee has desire to be the best

"Coaches yearn for the dedicated, quick man with the size, strength, and burning desire to work for total improvement -- a desire to become the very best. This description fits Russell Lee perfectly," said Marshall University Head Basketball Coach Stewart Way.

Lee, Boston, Mass., junior, came to Marshall from Hyde Park High School in Boston where he was All-Conference, All-State, and All-American in basketball.

During his freshman year at Marshall, Lee led the frosh team to its second perfect record in Marshall history. He had a 29.1 scoring average and a 14.8 rebounds-per-game mark.

Furthermore, Lee was named to the second team All-American freshman squad by the New England Cage World Magazine.

He also was named to the 1970 volume of Outstanding College Athletes of America. The volume is an annual awards publication of young athletes who have proven themselves outstanding in sports, campus activities, and curriculum.

Another sports world publication, the Basketball Extra, selected Lee as one of the top 50 college players in the nation this year.

As a sophomore, Lee lived up to pre-season expectations when he scored over 30 points eight times for the Thundering Herd.

He was the nation's thirty-sixth highest scorer in the major college division with an average of 24.1 points per game. Other laurels in Lee's path include being named to the Ohio University all-opponent team, and securing a position on the all-tournament team in the Steel Bowl Classic against Pittsburgh.

Coach Way said, "Along with these outstanding credentials, Lee can shoot, drive, rebound, handle the ball like a pro, and in short--can do it all!"

With "the knack of making things happen," Lee's specialty in his twisting, driving lay-up with amazing body control that makes it a thing of beauty to watch.

Praises have come from all around about the talented Lee.

Vic Bubas, former coach at Duke University called Lee, "one of the finest high school players I've seen in the East. A great one."

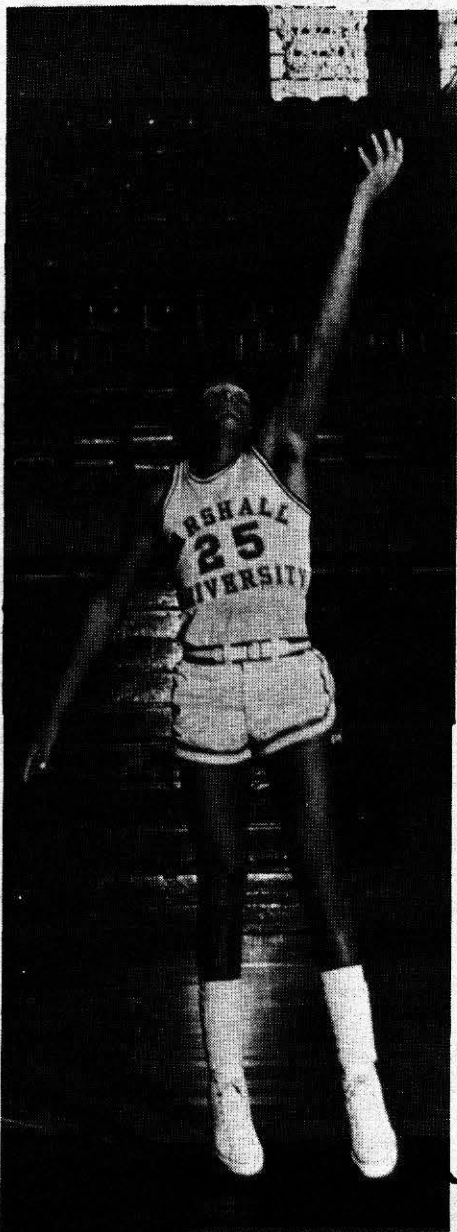
Charleston Gazette Sports Editor, A.L. "Shorty" Hardman, said Lee "had more moves than Don Knotts."

Coach Way said his star pupil "has a potential unlimited with self-discipline."

"Lee's greatest problem is his tendency to make random movements."

"One-on-one, though, not too many people can take the ball away from him."

Way also thinks Lee to be a lot like former Marshall great and now professional basketball player, Hal Greer. "Russ is a lot like Greer in that both played every position and played well."



RUSSELL LEE

Coach Way said, "This year we hope to convince Russ that the pressure of winning, or losing doesn't all fall on his shoulders. All great players usually carry a lot of this self-induced pressure on themselves, and Russ is no exception. He enjoyed a splendid sophomore season and we expect him to be even better this year."

Lee also feels he is capable of playing any position. He said Coach Way now has him at the forward position.

Last year, Lee rotated from forward to guard and at times held down the center position.

Lee holds scoring highs of forty against Morris Harvey, thirty-seven against NYU, thirty-six against Bowling Green and Ohio University, thirty-two against LaSalle, thirty-one against OU in a return match, and thirty against Western Michigan twice. In addition, Lee was Marshall's second leading rebounder last year with an average of 9.5 per game.

## 1971 Henry's year to 'get it together'

After three years of inconsistency, Blaine Henry, Cynthiana, Ky., senior, believes this to be the year when he "gets his things together."

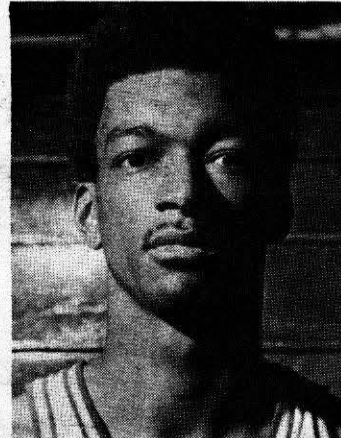
"For the past two seasons, my basketball playing has been all right but nothing to brag about, Henry said. This year I expect a lot more out of myself."

He is said to be aggressive battler who handles the ball well. Although he himself believes his two greatest assets are his speed and quickness.

"Even though I'm not known for it, I consider myself to be a quite capable shooter," Henry said.

"I think I'll average at least 15 points a game this year."

He also thinks that the fans have a lot to do with how he plays. "When I come out on the basketball floor in the Field House and see it full of people, I really get psyched up."



BLAINE HENRY

Henry recalls the last away game of the 1969-70 season when he scored 33 points against Western Michigan, "That was my finest game, he says. If I play like that all season long this year, I'll be doing alright."

Blaine Henry went to Harrison County High in Cynthiana, Kentucky. Under Coach Jerry Jenkins, he won all-state honors there.

In his two years of 'varsity' basketball, Henry has averaged 13.6 points per game.

"We think Blaine can be one of our leaders this season," says Marshall Head Basketball Coach Stewart Way.

"He has all the tools and we feel this can be a big year for him personally and as a spark-plug for our team."

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## Talented frosh joins varsity

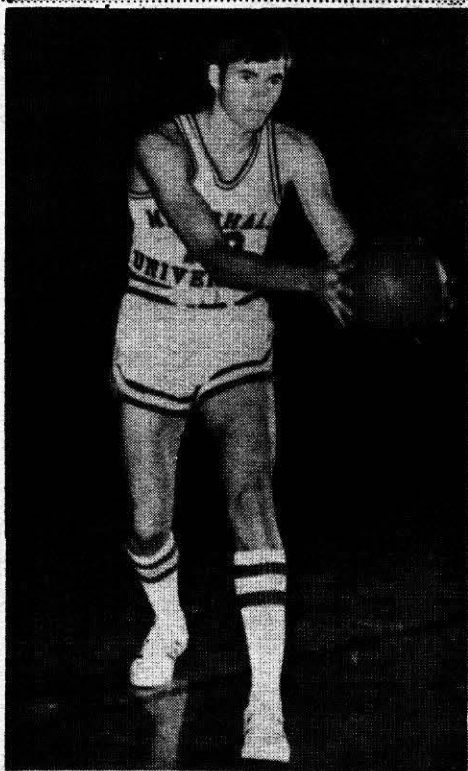
One of last year's most talented freshmen, Mike D'Antoni, Mullens sophomore, moves up to the varsity team this year.

He was a two time all-stater during his three years in high school and as a freshman last year he averaged 22.5 points per game.

D'Antoni is the brother of former Marshall star Dan D'Antoni, now freshman basketball coach.

Head Coach Stewart Way said, "There is no question that Mike D'Antoni could rank as one of the finest college basketball players in the country by the time he graduates. He is a young man of superior talents and we're certainly looking forward to having him as a member of the Marshall varsity."

Bucky Waters, head coach at Duke, then coach at West Virginia University said, "Mike is undoubtedly one of the finest guards coming into college basketball this year (1969)." Sonny Moran, of West Virginia University said, "D'Antoni is the type of player who gives you another coach on the floor."



MIKE D'ANTONI

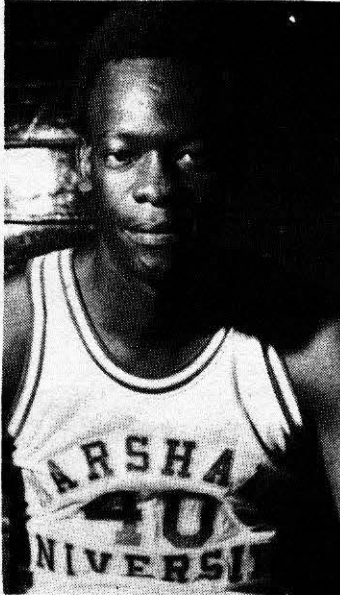


# Way cites Wilcox as 'board chewer'

Coach Stewart Way has been looking around for some additional rebounding strength for his 1970-71 team and may have found it in the form of junior college transfer, Willie Wilcox.

Last spring Way and his coaching staff signed William Lee (Willie) Wilcox, and at 6'9" and 215 pounds, a man they feel should fill the requirement.

Wilcox is a native of Miami, Fla., and transferred here from North Dade (County) Junior College. Before his two-year career at North Dade, he attended Miami Northwestern High.



WILLIE WILCOX  
Miami, Fla., junior

Jim Richardson, his coach last season, says of Wilcox: "Willie is a wonderful boy with an excellent attitude - a winning attitude. He did an outstanding job for us the past two years, improving from game to game.

"For example, he averaged 11 points and 14 rebounds a game for us this year. But, for the last half of the season his averages would be more like 15 points and 18 rebounds. He's coachable and a hard worker."

Wilcox said he decided to come to Marshall because he likes the type of basketball played in this area of the country.

"Also, I liked what I saw of Huntington when I visited the Marshall campus last spring," he said.

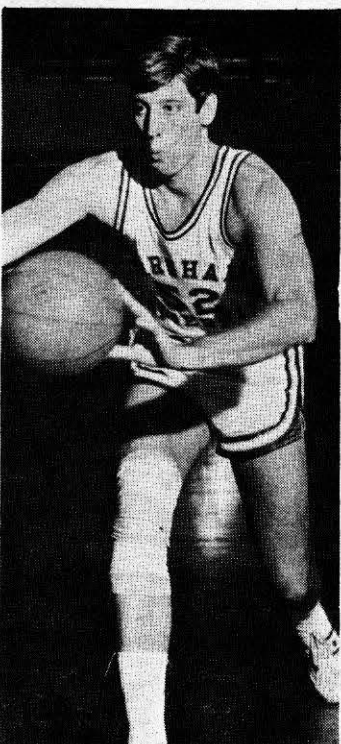
To Coach Way, players with Wilcox' ability are known as "board chewers." There's a sign in the coach's office that reads: "You can shoot too much, you can pass too much, you can dribble too much... but you can't rebound too much."

Way is obviously pleased that Willis decided to attend Marshall. "We think he'll be a real asset to the team," said Way. "He knows he'll have to battle Dave Smith for the pivot post, but he welcomes the challenge.

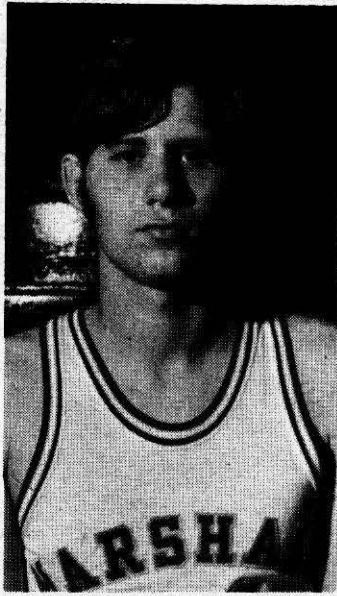
"His size will most certainly help our team, and personally, he impressed me as a fine young man. Willie is the type that keeps the rest of the team loose with a winning smile and an excellent attitude."

Wilcox had six games last season in which he scored over 20 points, and in a game against Vincennes, national junior college champion, he pulled down 21 rebounds in a 78-68 North Dade defeat. North Dade's two year record was 27 victories and 26 defeats.

for former Marshall star Andy Tonkovich at Chaminade High School in Florida, where he was "all-city" and "all conference." He is a native of Newark, N.J.



BILL BERTALAN  
Hollywood, Fla., junior



Barry Driscoll  
Turtle Creek, Pa., junior

## Driscoll to be eligible

Barry Driscoll, Turtle Creek, Pa., junior, will be eligible for varsity ball second semester.

He transferred to Marshall from McCook Junior College, in McCook, Neb., where he was named to the All-Nebraska Junior college team. He also attended the University of Detroit but played no basketball.

Driscoll, an all-sectional high school player at Turtle Creek, is big, rugged, doesn't back away from contact under the boards and possesses a good shot.

## Herd exhibits board control

The Marshall University varsity romped over the freshman team Saturday night 99-53.

The varsity out-rebounded the freshmen 66-35 with Russell Lee, Willie Wilcox and Dave Smith, collecting 13 rebounds a piece. Lyle Monroe led the freshmen in rebounding with seven.

Bob DePathy was the game's leading scorer with 26 points, while Chris Byard led the freshmen with 12 points.

# DePathy is figured as valuable asset

Bob DePathy, the 6'3" 185 pound senior from Hollywood, Florida, transferred to Marshall after playing his freshman year at Florida State University.

DePathy played high school basketball at Chaminade High School under the coaching of former Marshall great, Andy Tonkovich.

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During his four years of high school basketball, DePathy scored a total of 2,285 points. He led the state in scoring during the 1965-66 season averaging over 33 points per game.

He was named to the Florida All-State team in 1966 and also named "Mr. High School Basketball" in the state that year.

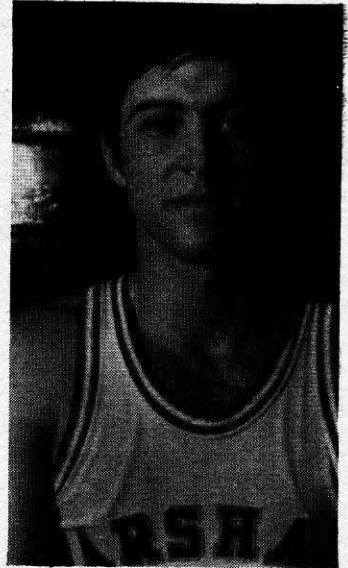
He was also selected to the All-America team by Coach and Athlete Magazine.

DePathy played freshman ball for Florida State during the 1966-67 season averaging 15 points per game although sidelined much of the season because of injuries.

On a good night he can score with the best. In one game last year DePathy hit seven for seven from the 14-18 foot range.

He played many fine games for the Herd last year before sustaining a head injury late in the year. The guard scored 184 points for an average of 8.8 points per game.

Coach Stewart Way says that he is counting on DePathy this season and he figures him to be a valuable asset to the team.



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## John Sark vying for starting position

By LARRY HURLEY  
Staff reporter

One of the young men vying for a starting position at center on MU's basketball team is John Sark, Detroit, Mich., sophomore.

Sark, who attended Austin-Catholic Prep, said that Marshall should win most of its games this year. "We are a better team this year. We have good talent from last year's freshman squad, plus the experienced regulars who will return," he said.

He said the season looks optimistic even though the Herd faces a stiff schedule. "This year's schedule is pretty rough all the way around. The Mid-American Conference teams are always rough. Purdue will be strong and we always seem to have a tough time with Morris Harvey and Morehead," said Sark.

Although he received scholarship offers from various other schools, Sark came to MU because "Marshall had the best offer. Ellis Johnson recruited me, and he and all the others really treated me great. I guess another reason for my coming to Marshall was because Marshall was a university, and the other schools were small colleges."

"I also liked Marshall's fast-break style of ball. I didn't have to adjust because we played this type of ball in high school," said Sark.

When asked how he likes Marshall, he said, "Marshall is very pleasant. Back home there's too much anxiety, but here you can slow down a little."

He added, "I like my classes and the students are very friendly. Everybody seems interested in sports."

Sark, whose hobbies include going to movies, tennis and golf, said his biggest transition was from high school basketball to college basketball. "It's not

really that big a transition from freshman ball to varsity ball. I guess practicing harder and

learning different plays is the main problem. In freshman ball you learn mostly fundamentals."

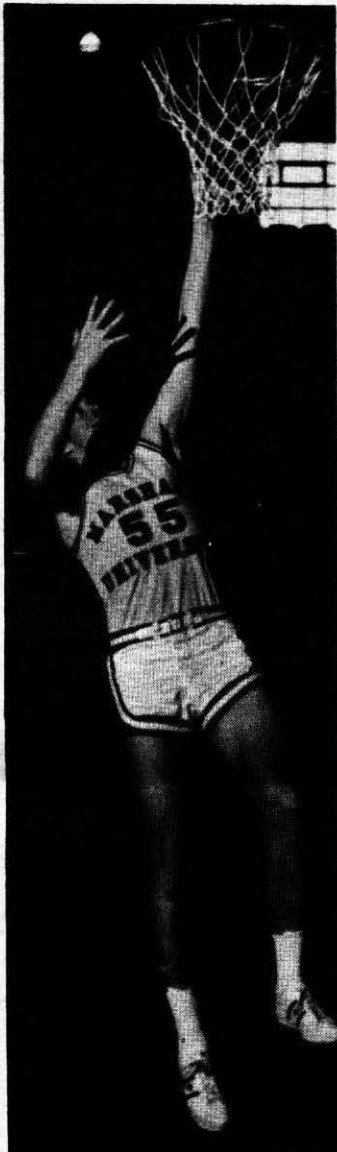
He, added, "There's so much talent on this year's team that I'm just trying to stick it out and work hard on making the squad."

Making a good showing is sometimes hard to do."

When asked about the coaching staff, Sark said,

"Coach Way is doing a good job. He's the picture of dedication. He's tough, fair, and he wants to win. Everyone on the team likes him."

"Coach Tacy works mainly on fundamentals. He reminds me of a teacher. He tells everybody their mistakes and then works with them in trying to iron them out," he said.



**JOHN SARK**  
Detroit, Mich. sophomore

Sark added, "D'Antoni did a good job with the freshmen. He's a smart young coach who knows what he's doing. He's out to win." Sark was the number one rebounder on the freshman team averaging almost 11 per game and he scored at the rate of 13.5 points per game.

Sark, who had a lip injury early in practice requiring six stitches, said his strongest point is blocking out on the boards. "I think I can hold my own in rebounding, but blocking out on the boards is my biggest asset," he said.

Averaging about 15 points per game last year, the young sophomore said the coaches are trying to get everybody working together as a team. "If we put everything together we're going to be hard to beat," he said.

## Service vet back on boards

At the age of 25, with four years of Air Force behind him, Jim McKenzie, Huntington junior, is back on the boards.

"One of the biggest problems for me was getting back the physical conditioning for basketball," says McKenzie.

The game isn't new to McKenzie, who started in junior high at Russell, Ky. After moving to Ashland, Ky. his sophomore year, he continued playing, averaging 15 points per game. He made All-State and went to the state tournaments his junior year and received Honorable Mention the next year.

After graduation from Paul G. Blazer High School, McKenzie signed a basketball grant-in-aid at the University of Jacksonville, Fla. However, he didn't return, but sat out a year and then joined the Air Force. While stationed at Shaw Air Force Base, Sumter, S.C., he played squadron and base golf and baseball.

His brother, Larry McKenzie, former MU coach who's now coaching at Mississippi State, had a great deal of influence on his future.

"When I got out of the service last year, I had nowhere to turn so Larry talked me into coming to Marshall. I guess I'm sort of following in his footsteps."

McKenzie, the oldest member of the team, is called "old man" by his team-mates. Although not on scholarship, he is a dedicated athlete. He likes the run-and-shoot type of game played at Marshall although he played controlled ball previously.

"I think Marshall's got a real good team this year. D'Antoni's one of the best guards that ever played here. He's a fine playmaker and can control the team."

"When I'm on the court, the noise of the fans doesn't affect me at all. Although it's always good to have the fans behind you, I only think about what I'm doing and not what they're yelling."

"My parents, who still live in Kentucky, are real happy about my returning to school. After graduation I plan to teach physical and safety education. I have no plans whatsoever to play pro basketball, I'm just worrying about how I'll do this year."

Coach Stewart Way, however, has no qualms about McKenzie's playing ability. "Even though it's taken him a little longer to get in shape, he's been working real hard and I'm sure he'll be an asset to the organization. The fact that he's 25 has created no problem."



**JIM MCKENZIE**  
Huntington junior

## Smith adds size, experience

By KATHLEEN BERGERON  
Staff reporter

"Six feet six, 240 pounds and the largest man on the squad" is how assistant basketball coach Carl Tacy described returning letterman Dave Smith.

Experience and size are the two things this 21-year-old Dayton, Ohio, senior have going for him and MU's varsity basketball team.

As center in his freshman year, Smith averaged 20 points and 20 rebounds a game. In his junior year his average was seven points and 10 rebounds. He is definitely counted on to give solid rebounding and defense this season, according to Coach Tacy.

Smith played center for four years at Roosevelt High School in Dayton, where he averaged 10 points in scoring and 12 rebounds. In his senior year he received honorable mention for the district. He also played in "all city," which, he explained, is like an all-star team composed of players from all city high schools.

Although he was offered football scholarships from Arizona University and East Central State College in Oklahoma, Smith decided to pursue basketball because he had more offers and because, he said, "I thought I could make it" in basketball.

When he visited the campus, he thought MU had a good

basketball schedule, but Smith said his decision to stay was most influenced by George Stone and Bob Redd. They went to the National Invitational Tournament at Madison Square Garden and played on the varsity team when Smith was a freshman.

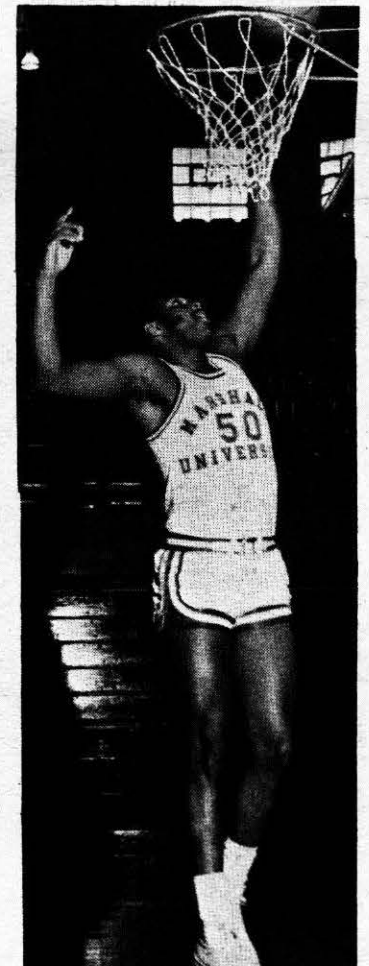
"When I first came, the atmosphere was deceiving," he said. "I guess it was because first impressions are deceiving, and any place would have been that way. Marshall was a new place, out-of-state, and that sounded good to me."

According to the coaches, when the "big D" goes well, the team goes well. "There have been times when Dave has not been up to par," said Coach Way, "and on those occasions

our effectiveness has certainly been impaired. However, when he's right, we move well, and we're looking for a big year from Dave this season."

What does this varsity man predict for the coming season? "At least 18 wins out of 25 games. After two rough seasons, the team now knows pretty well what to do."

Smith best summed up the spirit of the 1970-71 season by saying, "Everyone wants to win."



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Dayton, Ohio, senior

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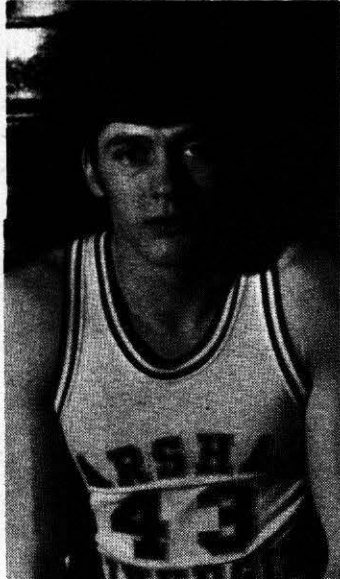
# GO MARSHALL



# Teamwork is key to success--Orsini

By MOLLIE YOUNG  
Feature writer

"We should have a good year, but a lot depends on how we get it together," said Gary Orsini in reference to Marshall's 1970-71 basketball team. The Inwood junior is the first basketball transfer from Ferrum Junior College in Ferrum, Va.



GARY ORSINI  
Inwood junior

Orsini, a 6' 4" 200 pound forward has been playing basketball for nine years. When asked how his interest developed in the sport, he said, "A lot of people talked to me when I began playing and encouraged me to keep it up."

He began playing ball in junior high school. Playing center on a winning team at Musselman High School in Bunkerhill, he averaged 17 points per game and 17 rebounds. Orsini received honorable mention on the All-State Class A team during his senior year at Musselman.

Expressing his views about Marshall Orsini said, "I like it pretty well. I've always heard a lot about Marshall, and that the fans were pretty good. I knew a lot of boys here and they told me about it."

A social studies major, 20 year old Orsini does not plan to go into professional ball.

He was awarded the President's Cup while at Ferrum for displaying the most leadership, sportsmanship and being the best all around athlete. One winner is chosen from all sports, not just from one field.

While there he averaged 10 points per game. He also shot 48 percent from the floor, made 60 percent free throws and nine rebounds per game. He also said more players were from West Virginia at Ferrum than there are at Marshall.

Carl Tacy, assistant basketball coach was one of Orsini's former coaches at Ferrum. Orsini said, "He told me that Marshall is a good basketball school."

Starting practice Oct. 1 he said, "A lot of the boys haven't played together before, but we should be coming along real well."

While playing a game Orsini says "The main thing is to keep in mind what you want to do and don't stray. Don't pay attention to the crowd or get mad. Just keep your cool."



TYRONE COLLINS  
Patterson, N.J., sophomore

## He plays piano when he's not playing ball

This season's top challenger for a starting berth in the Marshall University Herd could be Rick Turnbow, 6-6 190 pound Cincinnati senior.

Turnbow has been quite a service as a reserve or spot player for the Herd during his sophomore and junior years and he has come through very ably in a number of games.

He played high school ball at Courter Tech in Cincinnati and now is a challenge as an excellent leaper and good shot.

"Bob Redd was the first person I met down here and he influenced me to come to Marshall," Turnbow said. He added, "Marshall has a big basketball reputation and now that I'm here I really like it; it is really nice down here."

Although he is majoring in music with an art minor he finds time to spend two hours each day practicing the piano, fitting it in with two to three hours of basketball practice and his school work.

He graduated in the top eight per cent of his class, was selected first chair bass saxophone in the Cincinnati All-City Festival, was voted the

"Most Talented Person" in high school, and was granted a scholarship for ten weeks of lessons at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music and a full scholarship here at Marshall.

# High-scoring Collins fits MU's fast style

By LARRY HURLEY  
Staff reporter

Leading scorer on last year's freshman basketball team as the nation's sixth highest freshman scorer with a 31.5 average per game, Tyrone Collins, Patterson, N.J. sophomore, expresses great optimism in this year's varsity team.

A 1969 graduate of John F. Kennedy High School, Collins said, "I definitely think this year's team is better than last year's. The main reason is because we have more talent. Of course, we realize this, so our main problem is putting all of this talent together as a team."

Collins received around 200 scholarship offers from many parts of the country. A few were Kansas, Ohio State and UCLA.

When asked why he chose Marshall University, he said, "I was more interested in a middle-sized school, and I also wanted to come here because of the country. You don't get to see too many trees and things in the city."

"Another reason I chose Marshall was the style of ball they played. I like the fast game," he added.

According to Collins, the biggest transition from freshman ball to varsity ball was learning different things. "In freshman ball you learn one position, but on the varsity you have to learn two or three positions, plus different plays and different defenses. You also have to know the rules. In freshman ball you can get away with a few things, but not in varsity," he said.

When asked if the coaches would rely on him for a scoring

punch, he said, "They're aware of my scoring ability, but we have several players who know how to score. The coaches are mostly trying to improve my passing, defense and rebounding in order to make me a more complete ballplayer."

"My personal goal is getting invited back to the National Invitational Tournament (NIT). If we win 75 or 80 per cent of our games, we will have a good chance of being invited. Going back to New York is like going home to me," he said.

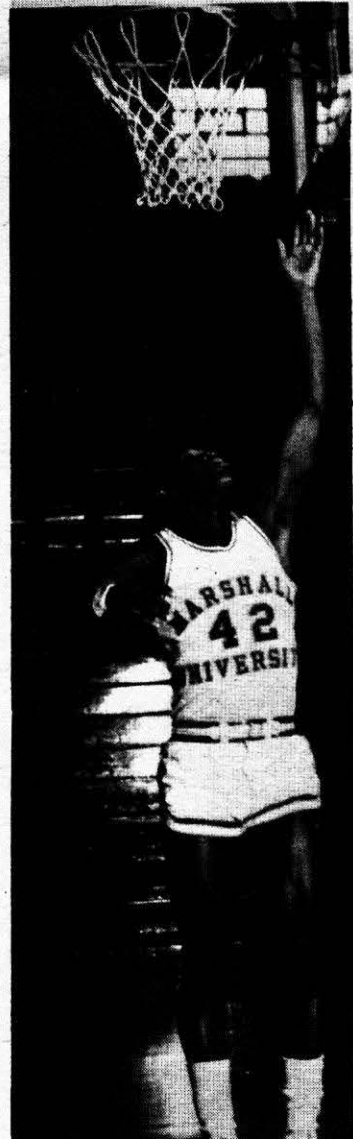
Asked how he likes Marshall, students and players, he said, "The players are just great. My best friends are my teammates. There's a real good relationship on the team. Everyone is friendly and we talk things out with each other. We give and take advice."

"Marshall is everything I thought it would be. There has been some changes in coaching, but all of the problems have been overcome," Collins said.

The 6-2 guard has varied hobbies. "I try something new every day. I'm flexible in that sense. I do whatever the group wants to do. Sometimes we play football, tennis, pool and things like that," he said.

When asked about the coaching staff, he said, "Sometimes it's hard to know a coach personally. It's more of an informal communication. They're trying to help me, and I just have faith and do what they say."

"Coach Way (head coach) is a man of many personalities. He's rough when he has to be, and fair when he has to be."



RICK TURNBOW  
Cincinnati, Ohio, senior

## Lee returns after accident

After a remarkable recovery from a motorcycle accident, Eugene Lee, 6' 180 lbs. Boston, Mass., sophomore, will be back this season for the Marshall University Herd.

There was some question whether Lee would be able to walk normally again besides play basketball.

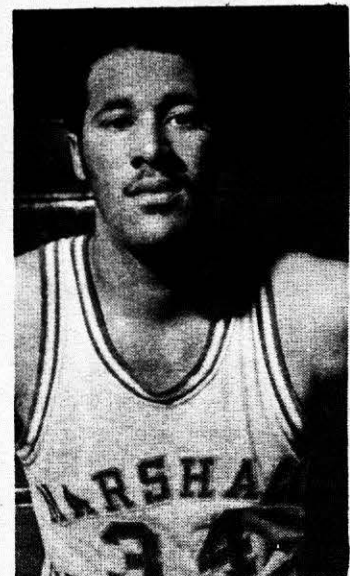
He sustained a badly fractured leg in a motorcycle accident in May of 1969. His leg was in a cast for five months and he was forced to wear a brace for another four months, but now he's back with the Herd threatening to pick up where he left off after a fine freshman season.

In 1968-69, he teamed with his brother Russell, Boston junior, to spark the Marshall frosh to a 12-0 record as the trigger man on the fast break.

Eugene averaged 15.6 per game, but his assistance to Russell was an eye-catching attraction.

Lee is quick with good hands and a fine shot while his recovery indicates that he doesn't quit or discourage easily.

He just may come from far back in the pack to challenge for a starting job.



EUGENE LEE  
Boston, Mass., sophomore

## Schedule

Dec. 2, Presbyterian (H); 3, U. of California, Riverside, (H); 5, St. Peters (A); 12, LaSalle (A); 15, Morehead (A); 18-19, MUT Tournament (H), U. of Mississippi, Iowa State, Holy Cross and Marshall; 30, Morehead (H).

Jan. 2, East Carolina (H); 6, Morris Harvey (H); 9, Western Michigan (A); 13, Toledo (A); 16, Morris Harvey (A); 23, Bowling Green (H); 30, Purdue (A).

Feb. 3, Ohio U. (A); 6, Samford U. (H); 10, Toledo (H); 13, Bowling Green (A); 16, Ohio U. (H); 20, Miami, Ohio, (A); 23, Miami, Florida, (A); 25, Cleveland State (H).

March 1, St. Francis (H); 4, George Washington (A); 6, Miami, Ohio, (H).

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# Fourth annual MUIT Dec. 18-19

By RALPH CAUDILL  
Staff reporter

The Marshall University Alumni Association will sponsor its Fourth Annual Marshall Invitational Basketball Tournament Dec. 18 and 19 at Memorial Field House.

The opening round of the tournament will have the University of Mississippi facing Holy Cross at 7 p.m., Friday, Dec. 18, and Marshall vs. Iowa State University at 9 p.m.

The second round will feature a consolation game between losers of the first round at 7 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 18, and the championship game at 9 p.m.

This year's participants should provide a cross-section of the nation's collegiate basketball teams.

Mississippi, under coach Bob Jarvis, could be a "sleeper" in this year's Southeastern Conference race. Although three starters, Duaine Boucher, Lock Ross, and Cecil Jones return

from last season's 10-15 club, the best prospect could be 6-7 sophomore guard Johnny Neumann, who averaged 38.4 ppg as a freshman.

Other sophomores off a 23-1 freshman team are guard David Rhodes, Red Smith, and Steve Strickland.

Holy Cross, expected to have one of the best teams in the east, will return all five starters from last year's 16-9 team. Coach Jack Donohue says this year's team should be the best he has

had in the past six years.

Jim Schnurr, a 6-6 forward who averaged 24.0 ppg as a freshman, is one of five rookies trying to crack the starting five. Best veterans are Bob Kissane (22.0), Buddy Benne (17.0), Jack Adams (12.7), and Don Sasso (10.2).

After finishing 12-14 last year, Iowa State has the nucleus of a fine basketball team. Coach Glen Anderson has only guard Jack DeVilder (7-8) returning from last season's club.

Guard Gene Mack and forward Rick Engel also provide experience. However, the Cyclones will depend heavily upon junior college transfers 6-6 Sam Brown, 6-4 Bob Moser, 6-3 Garth Johnson, and sophomores 6-6 Jim Reinebach and 6-6 Larry Gibson.

Coach Stewart Way's Thundering Herd should be much improved over last year's 9-14 club. Four returning starters, along with sophomores

Mike D'Antoni and Tyrone Collins and 6-9 junior college transfer Willie Wilcox, will make the Herd a much sounder ball club.

Returning starters are Russell Lee, Dave Smith, Blaine Henry and Bob Depathy. Junior College transfer Gary Orsini and University of Detroit transfer Barry Driscoll (6-7) could also play a big role.

Applications for reserve seat tickets may be made to the Marshall Athletic Department or to the Marshall Alumni Office. Reserve seat tickets may

also be purchased at Humphrey's Southside Pharmacy or Dan's Sport Shop.

Reserve seats are \$4 per round. General admission tickets at \$3 per round and student tickets at \$2 per round will be available Dec. 1.

## 'QB' frosh success key

By JIM FOY  
and  
HAL McMAHON  
Sports writers

This year's key to a successful freshman basketball season will lie in the hands of the playmakers. Head Freshman Coach Dan D'Antoni feels that the role of the quarterback will play a big factor in the outcome of the season.

Due to the fact that Mike D'Antoni and Tyrone Collins were guards on the freshman team last year and moved up to the varsity this year, there was no attempt made to recruit a playmaking guard. Therefore, Coach D'Antoni has had to go to his "walk-ons" to find a quarterback.

It was here in Huntington that an unusual transition was made. Greg Imperi, 6-2, 175 pound Huntington freshman, who played center for three years at Huntington Saint Joe, has been switched by Coach D'Antoni to the key guard position.

Jerry Stritholt, a 6-5, 190 pound freshman from Cincinnati, Ohio, will be playing the other guard position. His greatest asset is his outside shooting ability. Because of his size he is more valuable in close to the basket. The playmaker's responsibilities are to stay outside and "call the signals."

Another big factor concerning this year's club will be its ability to execute the fast break. Even though there is more height this year, they lack the overall speed needed for the fast break.

Along with Stritholt, Lyle Monroe, a 6-7, 190 pound freshman from Fort Recovery, Ohio, figures to play a big role with Andy Fredriksen, 6-9, 210 pound freshman from the Virgin Islands. "Monroe is a good ball player," D'Antoni said, "and he is consistent in that he can score from

the outside. Fredriksen has a good shot and moves well under the boards." D'Antoni stressed that he has come along real well.

Coach D'Antoni pointed out that at this time his ball club is about a year behind, meaning they have not met their fullest potential. However, he added that these players will be a greater asset to the varsity next year.

Coach D'Antoni feels that this year's crop of "walk-ons" is better than last year's. Numbered among this group is Chris Byard and Gary Dudley. Byard, a 6-4, 200 pound freshman from Huntington Vinson is a strong prospect to play forward position. Dudley, a 6-4, 190 pounder from South Point, Ohio, is battling Fredriksen for the pivot position. Although Dudley is comparatively small for the center spot, Coach D'Antoni remarked that he hustles on the floor and loves to play and knows how to clear the way under the basket. D'Antoni thinks Dudley will be seeing a lot of action this year.

Another walk-on slated to see a lot of action is Donald McCloud, a 6-1, 165 pounder from Logan.

As far as this year's schedule goes, it has its good and bad points. On the plus side the freshmen will be playing such teams as Dayton, Cincinnati and Ohio University. If they can muster a winning season from this schedule it will then be a clear indication of just how good the team really is.

On the negative side is the fact that they will be playing a slate of 19 games. This is a six game addition to a schedule which was previously only 13 games.

Coach D'Antoni feels that if the quarterback situation can be overcome, this year's squad will have a better chance for a winning season.

"If they decide as a team to give maximum effort in practice and in the games, they will be better than last year," commented D'Antoni.

## 1906-1970--MU has come long way in 64 years of basketball

By ERNIE REED  
Staff reporter

Marshall started its basketball career in 1906, under Coach Crotty, losing its only game to Charleston Taw Club 13-6.

From 1906 to 1935, Marshall's teams were just average, compiling a record of 161 wins to 129 losses.

In 1935, Cam Henderson, the "Coach of Coaches" came to Marshall and ended his career in 1955 with a record of 367 wins to 158 losses. During his reign, Henderson drove his teams to three Buckeye Conference Championships (1938, 1939, and 1940), the Los Angeles Invitational Tournament Championship in 1947-48, and most important, the National (NAIB) Championship for small colleges.

Gene (Goose) James, Mervin Gutshall, Andy Tonkovich, Bill Toothman, and Bill Hall played on this famous team, collecting a record of 32-5.

Not only did Henderson have great teams, but he also had great individual players with basketball records still withstanding at Marshall.

Walt Walowac has records for

the most free throws attempted in one game with 25, and the most free throws made with 17, most points made as a sophomore, 579, most field goals attempted, 640, and most field goals made with 285, most fields goals made in a career, 792, and most points ever scored with 1982.

Charlie Slack, a 6 ft. 5 inch center, was another great Henderson composition. Slack still holds the national record for the greatest average in rebounds in a game made in the 1954-55 season, 22.45, as well as the school's records for the most rebounds in a game, 34, most rebounds in a season with 538, and the most rebounds in a career with 1,916.

In 1955, Jule Rivlin took over the coaching job and Marshall won the Mid-American Conference Championship with a record of 18 wins and 5 losses.

Hal Greer, star of the Philadelphia 76ers, played on the championship team and, during that year, made the highest field goal percentage with .600 or 128 field goals out of 213. Greer also scored 1,377 points from 1955-58.

Rivlin retired in 1963 leaving 100 wins to 88 losses.

Ellis Johnson, whose record stands at 68 wins to 80 losses, produced teams such as the 1966-67 team which went 20-8 statistically, but went to the National Invitational Tournament beating Villanova and Nebraska, only to lose in the end to Marquette and Rutgers.

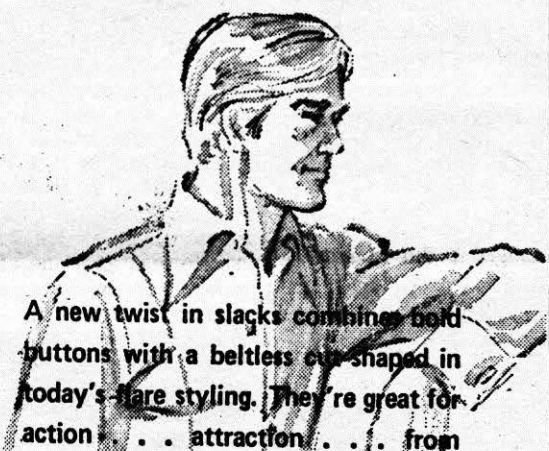
Danny D'Antoni, freshman coach, scored 420 points his final season and ended his career with 1,109 points, 16th highest scorer in Marshall basketball history. D'Antoni was also assist leader in the 1967 National Invitational Tournament.

W. Stewart (Tooie) Way took over the head coaching job in 1969 when Ellis Johnson was reassigned to a teaching position in the Department of Physical Education. Way was assistant to Johnson for three years. In the 1969-70 year, Way's team compiled a record of 9 wins and 14 losses.

Some of the team's greats for the 1969-70 team are Russell Lee, Bernard Bradshaw, Blaine Henry, and Dave Smith.

Marshall has come a long way in 64 years of basketball, losing to the Cincinnati Church of Christ 68-10 in 1913.

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MU's only national championship

# It was a tough year, tough coach

By JIM FOY  
Staff reporter

If you think that the era of George Stone, Bob Redd, Dan D'Antoni, Jim Davidson and Bob Allen is the best ever in Marshall's illustrious history, get out the record books. And if you think the teams of All-Americans Jule Rivlin or Leo Byrd and Walt Walowac are tops, you'd better check again.

The winningest team and the only one ever to bring back a national championship (NAIB), was Cam Henderson's 1946-47 team. A team that reeled off 17 straight victories on its way to a 32-5 campaign.

At the beginning of the year, there were 14 players on the squad. Making up the list were Bill Hall, Bill Toothman, Gene (goose) James, Andy Tonkovich, Mervin Gutshall, Dick Erickson, Bob Wright, Jim Bakalis, Albert (Babe) Mazza, Ed Little, Elmer Todd, Jim Van Zant, Frank Altizer and Sedgewick Mosser. At the end of the season however, only the first 8 players were still on the squad.

GAMES AT THIS TIME were played at Radio Center where WHTN-TV is now located. Among other names, the home for the Herd was called Vanity Fair. But the most fitting title was undoubtedly that of "Cam's Chamber of Horrors." This little cliché was not necessarily named for the playing conditions although it did sound appropriate. Smoke inside the gym area was so intense, one could barely see the court.

To play for the "Old Man", one had to be in the best shape ever if he was to survive the season. Understandably, playing for Cam was like playing for the great Vince Lombardi. Henderson demanded every ounce of energy and playing skill from his team.

When the time rolled around for road trips, flying was out. Too expensive, said Cam. So the team traveled by the cheapest way-car or train.

On a typical weekend trip, they (the team) would drive to Evansville, Ind. on Friday and play a game that night. Then they would drive to St. Louis to play Concordia on Saturday. Next on to Peoria, Ill. to face Bradley Monday night. (Sandwiched in between was a two

hour practice session on Sunday), and then finally motoring to Bloomington, to play Illinois Wesleyan Tuesday night. This was done in Feb. of 1947 and only a few days later, the team traveled to Kansas City for the 32 team National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball tournament. Here Cam's boys knocked off five straight opponents to capture the national title.

MARSHALL PLAYED A total of 37 games that year piling up a highly respectable record of 32 wins against five losses. Twenty two of those games were played on the road.

Besides such pleasant traveling accommodations, trying to feed one's body under Henderson was a whole new way of life. In reality it was more like a survival test. The 1947 champions dined on such delicacies as applies (by the basket), dime-store dinners and the generosity of downtown hash houses.

The team that year averaged 68 points per game and put on such displays of floor wizardry, you had to see them to believe it. If that doesn't impress you, maybe the fact the members of that team presently rank number 4, 8, 10, and 16 on the all-time scoring list will.

BILL HALL was a southpaw shooter and leading scorer on the team. In the three years he played for Marshall, he amassed 1,421 points for the No. 8 spot. He was also one of the best defensive players ever. "I'd rather battle a mountain lion under that basket than to work against Hall in a practice session," Erickson said.

Andy Tonkovich, a 6-2 guard from Wheeling, scored 1,578 points for the No. 4 position. "Tonky" was always ribbed about never following up on his shots as rebounds were considered important too. In answer to this he replied, "When I shoot, I don't expect any rebound."

Bill Toothman came from Huntington High and was considered a great ball handler. He was also known for his deadly behind-the-back passes a la Maravich style. His 1,326 points (No. 10) kept the team alive. Hall said "You had to stay on your toes, because if you went to sleep going down the floor, Toothman would flip one of those behind-the-back passes

at you and knock your head off with it."

GENE (GOOSE) JAMES from Charleston's Stonewall Jackson, was the giant on the team at 6-5. At the pivot, James scored 1,092 points for the No. 16 spot on the list. One of his pet plays was to get the ball on a pass with his back to the basket, then flip it blindly over his head to a teammate already jumping for the basket. The teammate would then take James' pass and dunk it.

Mervin Gutshall was the oldest player on the squad and he was usually in the fatherly role of calling time outs when the team would start to play raggedly. There is no career record available for the Elkins native, but for the '46-'47 team, he scored 328 points. He was also a good defensive player. Gutshall was a loner like Erickson. His leaping ability and coolness on the court made him an invaluable asset. He always came up with the big play. The favorite on the team was Dick Erickson who came from Tiltonsville, Ohio. He was nicknamed "Noisy," and was all over the court. They say he had more knees and elbows than anybody else.

SPEAKING OF THAT particular season, Hall scored 550 points, Tonkovich 408, James 403, and Toothman 281 after he had had a poor first half of the season.

Tournament time rolled around for Cam and his boys in February. Marshall's first opponent in the NAIB was Wisconsin State. In that game 80 points was scored against the team, the most ever that season. But that didn't seem to bother the Marshall players as they scored 113-still a NAIB team record.

Next, MU played tournament favorite Hamline and won 55-54, when Tonkovich sank a set shot with 8 seconds to go. James took scoring honors in that one with 16 points.

Against Eastern Washington, Gutshall scored 20 as the Big Green rolled to its third straight win, 56-48.

The next night, the team met and played Emporia in another cliff-hanger. Toothman sank a long field goal with 20 seconds left to win 56-55. Hall led the scoring with 16.

MANKATO STATE was the final foe and the game was no

contest. Hall again led the scoring spree with 27 points as Marshall took the title 73-59.

Hall, Tonkovich, and James were named to the tournaments first team and Toothman the second. Gutshall failed to be named to either team which left many people unhappy.

When the team first got to Kansas City, they agreed there would be no parties until they were either eliminated or had won. The manager of the hotel in which they stayed promised the team a party win, lose or draw. So it appeared everything was ready following the post-game ceremonies which included awards and pictures. It wasn't until after midnight that the team finally left the arena and made their way back to the hotel. They were extremely tired but knowing that food and drink was around the corner, the exhaustion didn't really matter. It was then that Henderson fired the shot "heard 'round the world" - so to speak. "Hurry back to the hotel and get dressed," Henderson barked. "Our train leaves in forty minutes."

THEY OBEYED their coach and went back to their hotel, dressed and left for the station. They were in such a hurry they didn't even have a chance to take their showers. They left in two cabs and when they arrived, their "dinner" consisted of cheese sandwiches bought at a lunch counter. Cam arranged for the sleeper from

Kansas City to St. Louis. But from there on, they took the day coach. It was a tired and hungry ball club that arrived at the C&O terminal in Huntington a

few nights later. Out onto the plank they came into a stream of floodlights and in to the view of 15,000 fans who had turned out to welcome their heroes

home. It became quite an emotional thing for everybody. Even Dick Erickson made a

speech (so they say) and to here a word from him, one had to

consider himself among the chosen few. Even the old man himself got caught up in it as the tears in his eyes were not attributed to hayfever.

Times have certainly changed since 1947. Teams rarely travel by way of car or

train and the eating habits of many teams are bigger and more nutritious. But the style of

play and the dedication the players give to produce a winning combination is still

prevalent today. That combination of determination and dedication 23 years ago has

marked that 1947 basketball squad as Marshall's greatest basketball team ever.



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# Former ace in 13th year with 76'ers

By JIM TODD  
Feature writer

What can a basketball player of Hal Greer's caliber do for an encore? As for his specialty on the court, which is putting the ball through the hoop-almost nothing.

During his playing days at Marshall and 12 seasons in the pros, he has set almost every kind of scoring record, either for the team, school, or league.

While at Marshall, Greer scored 1,377 points during three seasons, and holds the school record for highest field goal percentage during a season with .600 per cent during the 1955-56 season, hitting 128 of 213 shots.

Jules Rivlin, Greer's coach at Marshall, enjoyed his most successful years as a coach between 1955 and 1958, the years the Philadelphia 76'ers star played at MU, winning 50 games while losing only 21.

Greer, who now makes his home in Philadelphia, is ninth

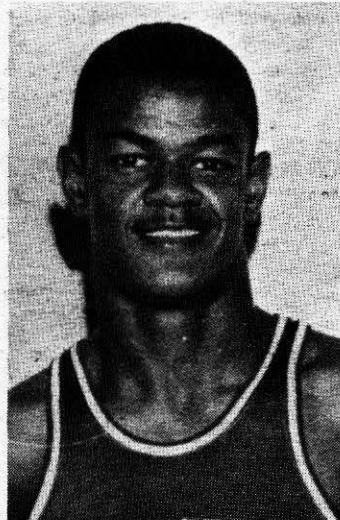
on the all-time scoring list at Marshall and one of only 20 MU courtmen to score 1,000 points or more for the Thundering Herd.

He ranks eighth in total points for one season with 567, and led the Big Green to a Mid-American Conference championship during his sophomore year when he scored 357 points and the team averaged 93.2 points an outing in 23 games for a MU record.

The 6-2 guard did not stop scoring points when he left Marshall as he signed with Syracuse in the National Basketball Association which later moved its franchise to Philadelphia.

As a pro, Greer has scored 20,773 points in his 12 seasons, including playoff and all-star games, and is the 76'ers all time high scorer.

Greer has led his team to the playoffs every year since turning pro and has a lifetime average of 20.5 points a game, including last year's 22.0



HAL GREER

average.

He has averaged 20.6 points a game in the playoffs and in 1966 led the 76'ers to the NBA championship, averaging 22 points a game during the season and 27.5 points a game in the 15 playoff contests.

His single game high came Jan. 19, 1963 in a game against Boston when he ripped the nets for 50 points, but his highest honor came in the 1968 All-Star game when he scored 21 points, 17 in the third quarter, and was named the game's Most Valuable Player.

As a 76'er, he leads the team in most minutes played, most field goals, most shots, and most assists as well as most points.

Ranking second in four team categories, Greer is expected, before he retires, to break the records for most games played, most free throws, most free throw attempts, and the dubious record of most personal fouls.

Marshall helped Greer as well as Greer helped Marshall. MU Coach Cam Henderson talked Greer into attending Marshall after he was set to enroll in another school.

After playing three seasons under Coach Rivlin, Greer was recommended to the Syracuse coach by Rivlin, and was signed

as a professional.

A former All-Mid-American Conference player, Greer joined Marshall's "M" Club in 1968.

The group is comprised of former Marshall lettermen who contribute to help Marshall athletes.

As an "M" Club member and a starting guard for the 76'ers, Greer is a valuable asset to both Marshall and the Philadelphia team.

Now in his 13th professional season, the former Marshall

backcourt ace is leading the 76'ers to another successful

season as Philadelphia presently is in second place in

the Atlantic Division of the Eastern Conference of the NBA,

second only to the World Champion New York Knicks.

# Charlie Slack rebounding great of 50s

By ED CREAMER  
Feature writer

A sellout crowd of 6,500 packed the Memorial Field House in 1956 to see Marshall College play Bowling Green in the last home basketball game of the season.

Many of the people there were only interested in seeing Marshall win another game. However, many of the onlookers were interested in seeing Charlie Slack, Marshall's outstanding center, play his last game before a Huntington crowd.

During the closing moments of the game Coach Jule Rivlin took Charlie out. As Slack walked to the bench he received a three-minute standing ovation.

Slack, 6-5, 225 pounds, was known as an "animal" under the boards. Out of 87 varsity games he made 1,871 rebounds for a 21.5 average, a school and Mid-American Conference record. These outstanding statistics placed him among the top five in all-time national rebounding totals.

Slack, originally from Pomeroy, Ohio, acquired his rebounding skill by playing in the Navy. In 1952 he came to Marshall and began making

history.

At the end of the Bowling Green Game he had an impressive record. Slack started in 87 varsity games without absence, setting a school record.

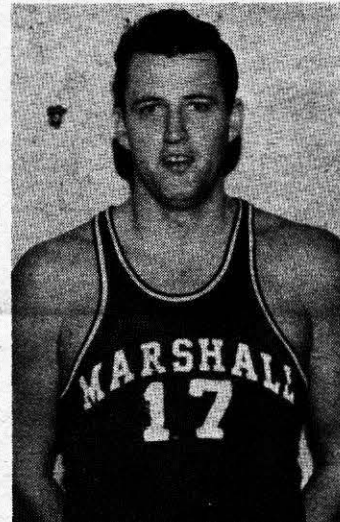
He finished second in rebounds among major colleges as a sophomore.

With a total of 538 rebounds in 21 games he won the 1954-55 major college rebounding championship and a Marshall and Mid-American Conference record.

In 12 conference games in the 1954-55 season Slack collected 359 rebounds for a new Mid-American Conference record. Slack's overall point average out of 87 games came to 1,491 for a 15.9 per game average.

Because Slack began playing varsity ball as a freshman he was considered a four-year man and ineligible to play in the NCAA regional playoffs for the Mid-American Conference Title in 1956.

Garner Callaway, market coordinator for the International Nickel Co. and Slack's fraternity brother, said Charlie was an "animal under the boards," but a gentleman off the court. Callaway added he was a leader in campus activities.



CHARLIE SLACK

Phil Cline, vice president of J. H. Fletcher Co., a mining equipment firm and student body president of 1955, said when Charlie came down with the ball you would not want to get in his way. Cline said Slack coached several games one season when Coach Cam Henderson was ill. He added Slack was an inspiration to the team.

After leaving Marshall Slack went to Akron, Ohio, to play for

the Akron Goodyear Rubber Co. He continued to play for the "Goodyears" until 1961 when he retired from the sport.

In 1966 he moved to Freeport, Ill., to work for the Kelly Springfield Tire Co., a sub-

sidary of Goodyear.

Slack says he has not seen a

Marshall basketball game since he left. However, he says while

here he usually walks around campus. Charlie adds the campus has doubled in size since he left over 15 years ago.

Charlie says he is still interested in Marshall's future concerning sports, and is curious to know if Marshall will return to the Mid-American Conference.

Although he is now retired from basketball, he says he still

manages to keep active in sports. He still plays ball at the YMCA.

Slack said he read an article concerning the disturbance at Marshall early last month but

added he was not too surprised. He pointed out that violence has become a common trend on

most campuses and he thought Marshall was just a victim of this trend.

While at Marshall Charlie was busy. He was president of his senior class and member of the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. However, that was not enough. While going to school he met Alma Foscatto, of Huntington, married her, and had two sons.

Today Charlie's two sons, Noel, 14, and Charlie Junior, 16, are active in sports. He added Charlie Junior is 6'4", 185 pounds, and plays basketball for Freeport High School.

# 'Cebe' helped Herd during its finest era

By KATHY MCGINNIS  
Staff reporter

Cebert H. Price Jr. was the best middleman in Marshall basketball history, according to former MU basketball coach Jules Rivlin.

"Cebe", a 6-2 1/2 forward, played for MU during the 1955, '56 and '57 era and was considered by the "Marshall Press and Radio Guide of 1956-57" to be the best ballhandler on the 1957 club.

Price scored 1,488 points during his basketball career at Marshall, which places him sixth on the all-time Marshall scoring list.

Marshall enjoyed three of its finest years when Price played ball, according to Gene Morehouse, late sports information director. During the three years Price played, MU had a 51-18 record.

Price, co-captain of the 1957 squad and the take charge guy on MU's patented fast break, was rated one of the ten best

collegiate basketball players in the middle west by "Dell Magazine." He was also a unanimous choice to the 1957 all-conference team.

Following graduation, Price was drafted by the Syracuse Nationals professional basketball team on the seventh round. However, he chose not to play for them and instead played for Kansas City in the National Industrial Basketball League. After one season with Kansas City, he moved to the Akron Goodyears and spent several years playing for them.

When Price's playing days were over, he assumed a teaching and coaching job at Belbrooke high school in Dayton, Ohio. He remained there for six years and is now manager of the Equitable Life Insurance Company of the United States.

Price feels college basketball has improved with the years. "Now the boys are bigger, stronger and better shots."

# Davidson cuts career short

By PAULA THOMPSON  
Feature writer

"The pay wasn't great enough to make up for all the traveling," was the reason given by Jim Davidson when asked why he quit professional basketball with the Pittsburgh Condors.

The 6-3, 200 pound guard played less than four weeks with the Condors. After being put on a farm team, Davidson objected to the strenuous traveling involved.

Though his pro ball term was cut short, Davidson left his mark on the records of Marshall's Herd. As a sophomore, he ranked fourth highest scorer in the University's history. During that year, he tallied 479 points in 28 games, to average 17.1 points per game. In his sophomore year he was named to the second team All-Mid-American Conference.

Davidson played varsity basketball at Marshall from 1966 to 1969. During these years, he scored a total of 1240 points to rank twelfth among the school's all time leading scorers.

Along with his scoring ability, Davidson had an 8.3 career rebounding average,

which comes naturally with his jumping skill. As a senior at Logan High School, Jim leaped 6 feet 7 3/4 inches to hold the West Virginia high school high jumping record. He also holds the Marshall high jump record with 6 feet 4 3/4 inches.

Davidson was all-state selection in football and basketball in high school. His Logan coach was Willie Akers, former star at West Virginia University. After his prep days, Davidson enrolled at Concord College at Athens. As a Concord freshman, Davidson earned all-West Virginia Conference honors as a forward. Following his enrollment at Marshall, he sat out a season to regain his eligibility.

As a junior for Head Coach Ellis Johnson, he averaged 16.7 points and 7.6 rebounds per game. Davidson had trouble hitting the basket in his senior year, but still managed to average 14.3 points a game, his lowest average in his seasons with the Herd.

Davidson has taught health and physical education at Omar Junior High School in Omar, for two years. He coaches football, basketball, and track.



# Walowac scored most for MU

By CHARLES FERGUSON  
Feature writer

The highest scoring player in a four-year period on a Marshall University basketball team still plays the sport because he enjoys it and for health reasons.

Walter Walowac, who now lives in Salem, Va., scored 1,982 points in his four-year career at Marshall from 1950 to 1954. He still holds the honor of being Marshall's highest scorer, playing in 95 games, and netting 1,982 points for a 20.9 point-per-game average over four seasons.

The sharpshooting cager started his basketball career when he was eight years old, living in Holden, a Logan County mining community. He said he practiced shooting a taped ball at a small basket nailed to a building in an alley in the coal camp. Walowac pointed out his motivation came from two older brothers who played basketball for Logan High School.

He said he played basketball through elementary school, with the Holden Boy Scouts of America troop, in junior high school, at Logan High, and then wound up his career at Marshall.

While playing for Logan High as the middle man and left side in the fast break, Walowac weighed only 150 pounds, but was named to the All-State teams of high school cagers. He graduated from

Logan High in 1950 and entered Marshall that fall on a basketball scholarship.

Walowac explained he came to Marshall because he had heard so much about Cam Henderson as a coach. Several alumni friends also steered him toward Marshall, he said.

The late Coach Henderson was basketball coach at Marshall from 1935 to 1955. He died in 1957.

Marshall statistical records show that Walowac scored 157 points during his freshman year, 579 as a sophomore, 698 as a junior, and 548 as a senior.

He played basketball when freshmen were permitted to play on the varsity squad instead of waiting until their sophomore year as the procedure is now.

Walowac still holds the record for the most number of free throws attained at Marshall. He attempted 25 free tosses during a 1953 game against Ohio University and completed 17 of the throws.

He attempted 640 field goals in the 1951-52 season for another record. His final total of goals completed over the four years is 792. Team records during Walowac's college career reveal a 13-13 season during his freshman year, a 15-11 season during his sophomore year, a 20-4 record when he was a junior, and a 12-9 showing during his senior year.

Walowac also went to a National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball tournament in Kansas

City with a Marshall squad. The NAIB has since changed its name to the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics.

He explained the most memorable part of his career was the retiring of his number - 20 - by the Marshall Athletic Department. Walowac also said another bright memory is his last college game when he scored 34 points against Western Reserve to break a Mid-American Conference record.

The 170-pound college cager said a crowd's screams and boos did not bother him "because that is a part of the game." He explained that he enjoyed playing a good team "and being up against a good player only made me work that much harder to do better."

He said he sees as many Marshall games as possible while doing business in this state as well as Virginia. Walowac is general manager of Carolina Tire Co. in Salem, Va.

Walowac is married to the former June Townsend of Madison, in Boone County, whom he said he met while at Marshall. They have three daughters, June Ann, Lisa, and Julie.

The former Marshall star cager still plays basketball with friends in his work, and it's still the same -- two points are in the making if Walowac gets the ball.

He's at the top of the key, shoots a high one, and SWISH goes the net as the ball drops through.

## 'Mr. Basketball USA'--Leo Byrd

By LINDA GRIST CREWE  
Feature writer

The final emotion-charged game of the season found Leo Wesley Byrd hobbling from the court to the dressing room surrounded by crowds of photographers and autograph seekers.

For the first time during the 1959 season Byrd had fouled out and, as he left the floor, 6,500 fans rose to give him a standing ovation which lasted for several minutes. Even the players on the floor at Memorial Field House slowed their action in tribute to Marshall College's representative on the Associated Press All-America Basketball second team.

Leo Byrd, who set records and then broke them, played for Marshall College from 1955-1959 under Coach Jule Rivlin. During his four years, Byrd was a Helms Foundation All-American choice, All-Mid American Conference team member and a leader in scoring throughout the nation.

Byrd's outstanding achievement came in March 1959, when sports editors and sportscasters throughout the United States selected him to the Associated Press All-American Basketball second team.

Byrd was a close second to the nation's number one scorer in 1958-59. Cincinnati's Oscar

Robertson held an even 34 points per game average while Byrd was close behind with 29.1.

In the 1958-59 season Byrd broke Marshall's scoring record of 1448 points in the three years of varsity play held by Cebe Price. With five games remaining, Byrd had scored 1687 points.

During Byrd's sophomore year, he led the MAC in all-game scoring with 24.9 points per game. He was second in MAC free throws with 81 per cent and seventh in MAC field goals with 45 per cent.

At the age of 12 Byrd suffered an attack of infantile paralysis. At the Morris Memorial Hospital in Milton, he lay in bed and sat in a wheelchair for two months. When he was finally allowed to exercise, Byrd started regaining his strength.

"I was mad," he said. "I was bound and determined it wasn't going to keep me down. When they let me go outside I tried to run. This hurt me a lot, but I didn't let them know it. When they were looking I tried my best to walk straight, so they wouldn't think I was in pain."

Following his bout with polio, Byrd played basketball to improve his co-ordination. After playing for Lincoln Junior High, Byrd went on to the

Huntington High Pony Express where he played under Coach Stewart Way.

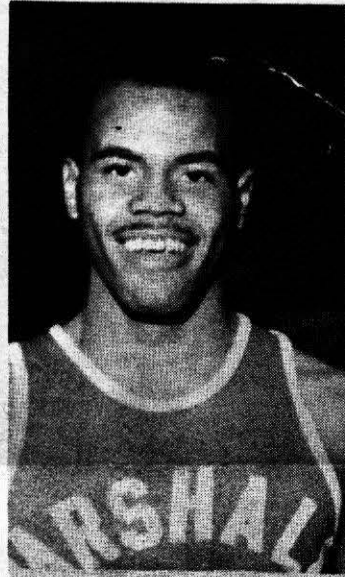
Honors found their way to Byrd during his high school

career, including being chosen "Mr. Basketball USA" at the North-South game in Murray, Kentucky, 1955.

On the basketball floor Byrd commanded the attention of all. He was a fast break man who used the "clutch" play to

the winning advantage. Outstanding as a scorer, Byrd was a strong rebounder, going in for

his own seldom missed shots. Sportswriters have written of Leo Byrd many times, "you can try to stop him, but..."



BOB REDD

## NIT teams were led by Bob Redd

By JOHN LUCKTON  
Feature writer

Bob Redd was captain of Marshall's two National Invitational Tournament teams of the 1967-68 seasons.

While at Marshall he scored 1,295 points, which placed him eleventh among MU's all time career scorers.

Redd was persuaded to come to Marshall by Dr. Ray Hagley, Big Green supporter and victim of the MU air tragedy. He also had offers from Villanova, Western Kentucky, where his brother was then playing, and from Seton Hall.

Redd said in a Parthenon interview in 1968 that, after receiving offers from the different schools, he decided to visit Marshall, where he met Dr. Hagley. "We hit it off right away and he convinced me to come here. Everyone was friendly to me down here. Even though I didn't have a scholarship, I decided to come to Marshall.

"First, because of my poor high school grades, I went to a Junior College in Ashland. My first semester there, I had to work to pay my way through. I had a class every day and two night classes, but Dr. Hagley helped me very much.

"It was a hard semester. If I wasn't working, I was going to school--no girls or anything like that. I was used to going somewhere every night and I wasn't used to coming home and having to study."

The former star came to MU after a four year tour of duty in the U.S. Marines. He joined directly after graduation from Fern Creek High School, Louisville, Ky., where he averaged six points and two rebounds a game.

Redd's statistics are fairly outstanding, even though they don't illustrate his ability as an all-around player.

As a freshman, he averaged 21.3 points per game. His high game was 39 points against Ashland Correctional Institute.

Throughout his varsity career he had scored 1,246 points. Going into the Western Michigan game February 24, 1968, Redd's career scoring average was 16.9. He had a field goal percentage of 44.2 and a free-throw percentage of 77.1, also before the last game. Redd has averaged 9.1 rebounds a game, with 661 in 73 varsity contests. His highest scoring varsity performances were 29 points against Morris Harvey and Eastern Kentucky, both in 1966.

Former MU coach, Ellis Johnson said of Redd upon his leaving Marshall, "Bob Redd has been a tremendous leader. He's the type of guy who comes along once in a lifetime, and we are going to miss him very much."

## Accuracy typified Stone's career

By LESLIE FLOWERS  
News editor

Remember George Stone? He was the Marshall University basketball player who led the Thundering Herd to two consecutive appearances at the National Invitational Tournament.

Stone graduated in 1968 but most basketball fans still remember the easy smile and accurate style that characterized the 6-7, 190 pound, cager from Covington, Ky.

During his three year career

at Marshall, the Thundering Herd won 49 games and lost 28, including two second place finishes in the Mid-American Conference (MAC).

When he graduated Stone took with him a number of honors and left behind his name in the slot of second highest scorer in Marshall's history.

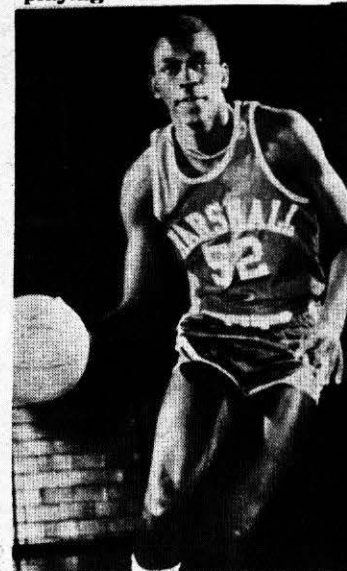
The Elks Club presented him its Paul (Runt) Foster award as the city's amateur Athlete of the Year for 1968. That same year Stone was named Most Valuable Player of the North-South All-Star game in Charlotte, N.C.

In 1967 he won the title of MAC Scoring Champion with a 24.5 point average. He was listed in an article, "Players the Pros Want the Most" in "Sport Magazine."

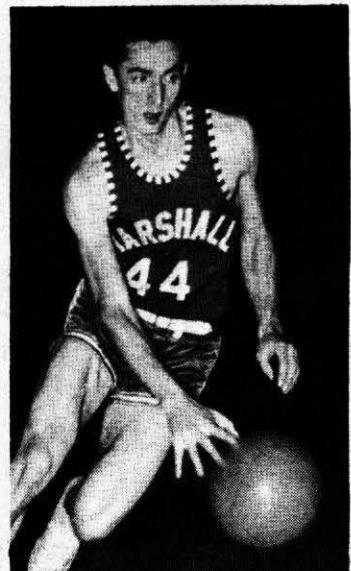
Stone, considered one of the best long-range shooting forwards in the country, holds the Marshall career free throw percentage record, having hit 305 out of 369 for 82.7 per cent.

In his first year on the Varsity squad, Stone scored a total of 447 points with an average of 18.6 points per game. He improved in his junior year to total 684 points and a 24.4 average. As a senior he scored 592 points with an average of 23.7.

At present Stone, heavier than he was in his college days (he went up to 216 pounds after his first year as a pro) is playing with the Utah Stars.



GEORGE STONE



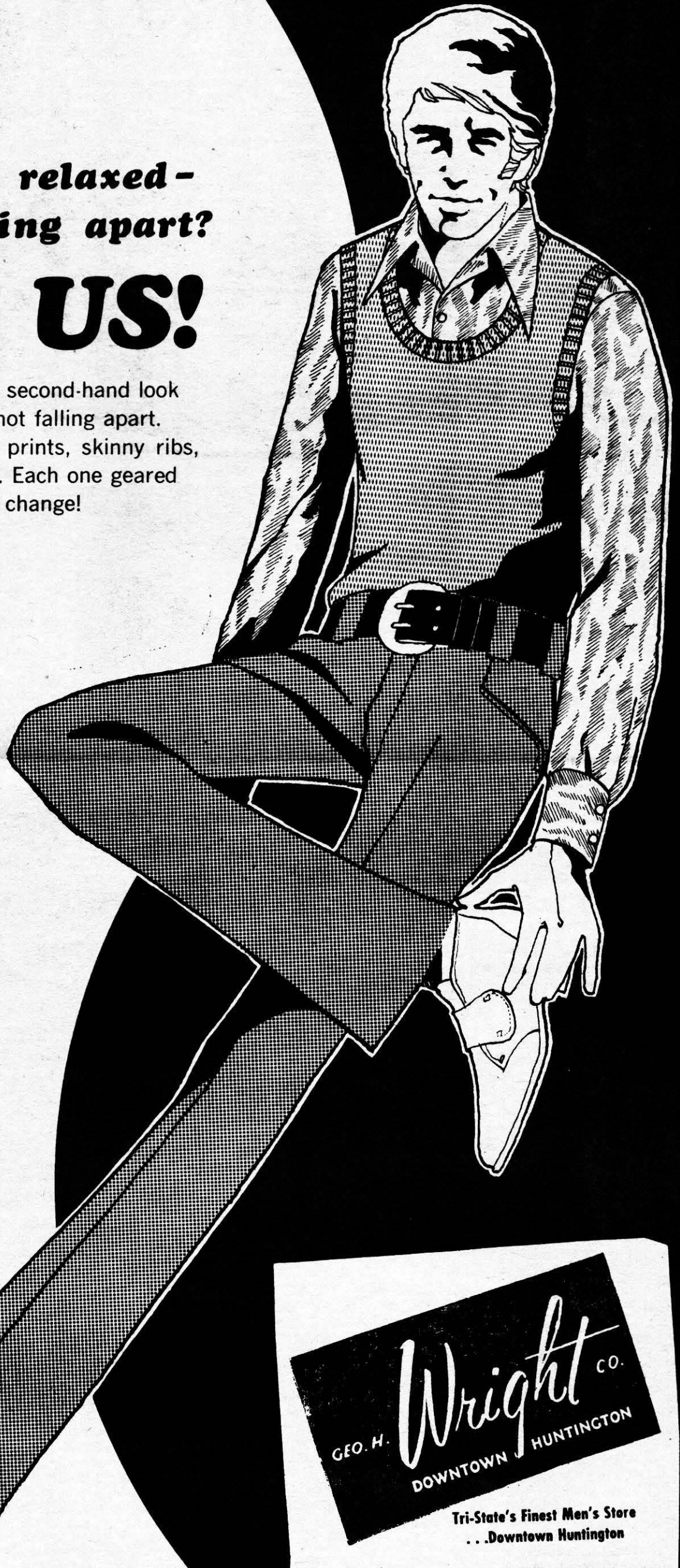
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# BUS finances fall short

Black United Students will meet tonight at 8:30 to discuss the financial aspects of the chartered bus trip to the funerals of several blacks killed in the Nov. 14 air tragedy taken by the group last week.

The trip which took approximately fifty students and chaperones to funerals in Bluefield, W. Va., Tuscaloosa, Ala., and Greenwood, S. C. and also to a brief memorial service in Atlanta, Ga., began at 5 a.m. Nov. 20, departing from South Hall.

The group arrived in Bluefield at 9 a.m. ate breakfast, changed clothes, attended the funeral of Dennis Blevins, rode to the cemetery, returned to Bluefield to change again and ate lunch before leaving at 3:15.

The group continued on to Atlanta, arriving at midnight and held a short memorial service for Larry Brown. The group then stopped at a hotel

and ate a snack before continuing on to Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Arriving at 8:30 a.m. the group spent Saturday, Nov. 21 in Tuscaloosa, Ala. on the Stillman College campus and attended a mass funeral for Larry Sanders, Robert Van Horn, Fred Wilson, and Joe Hood at 2 p.m. held at Druid High School from which the men had graduated.

At 4 a.m. Sunday the bus left for Greenwood, S.C. arriving at 2:30 just in time for the funeral services of Willie Blueford. After the burial the group stopped for dinner before

beginning the return trip home at 6:30 p.m. They arrived on the MU campus at 8:30 Monday morning.

In addition to the bus trip, BUS arranged for several students to attend the funerals in Texas and in New Jersey

including the funerals of Scottie Reese, Bobby Joe Hill, and Art

Harris.

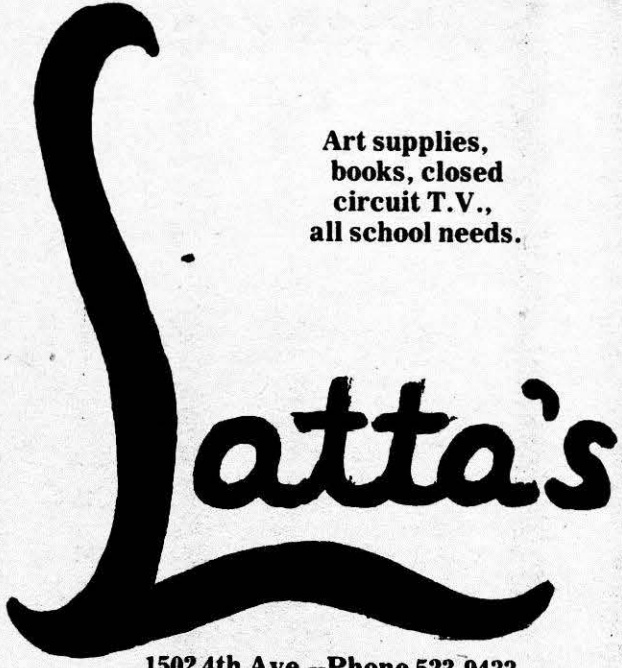
All trips were planned by Huntington's Rev. Charles Smith of First Baptist Church.

The bus trip was partially financed before departure by donations from the students, faculty, townspeople, and

businessmen but was not completely paid for. Of the approximately two thousand

dollars needed for the trip about half has been raised and the group is still asking for donations.

Methods to raise the remainder of the money will be discussed in tonight's meeting.



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## Good Morning

### WEATHER

**MOSTLY CLOUDY** and mild today, according to National Weather Service, with 50 per cent chance of showers and temperature in 70's. Wednesday will be cloudy and cooler.

### TODAY

**TRYOUTS** for the Women's Intercollegiate Basketball team will start today at 6 p.m. in the Womens Gym.

**PREREGISTRATION** for second semester continues from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Main 1B.

**CHESS CLUB** will meet at 7 p.m. in SH 423.

**VETERANS CLUB** will meet today at 9 p.m. at Club Woody.

**JOB INTERVIEWS** for Pittsburgh Plate Glass Industries and U. S. General Accounting Office will be held in the Placement Office, 1620 Fifth Ave.

**TICKETS FOR THE** Presbyterian and U. of California basketball games are available at the Gullickson Hall ticket office.

**NAVY RECRUITMENT** team will be in Shawkey Student Union from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. interviewing students interested in the Navy's flight program.

### WEDNESDAY

**MATH CLUB WILL** meet 5:30 in SH 524.

**PREREGISTRATION** continues in Main 1B.

**JOB INTERVIEWS** for Rike's Inc. will be held in the placement office, 1620 Fifth Ave.

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### READING CLASSES

A few openings exist in schedules for reading improvement classes in Teacher's College, according to Mrs. Thelma Pett, assistant professor of education.

Mrs. Pett said interested students can enroll in a Tuesday and Thursday afternoon class by contacting her office in Old Main 19B or at the Reading Center in Old Main 19B.



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# Athletic rebuilding under way

By JIM FOY  
and  
HAL McMAHON  
Staff reporters

In the wake of the tragedy that hit a little over two weeks ago, the MU Athletic Department is striving to get back in working order as soon as

possible. Ed Starling, assistant athletic director, is in the process of trying to get the department reorganized as the upcoming basketball season lies only 30 hours away. As far as the coaching situation is concerned, a

meeting was held Monday by the MU Athletic Committee to discuss the chore of replacing the vacancies. Dr. Hunter Hardman, committee, chairman stated that the purpose of the committee is to rebuild the athletic staff. Their job will be that of interviewing possible candidates and to determine if a screening committee is needed. The time schedule right now is at a standstill concerning the rapidity with which the committee can move.

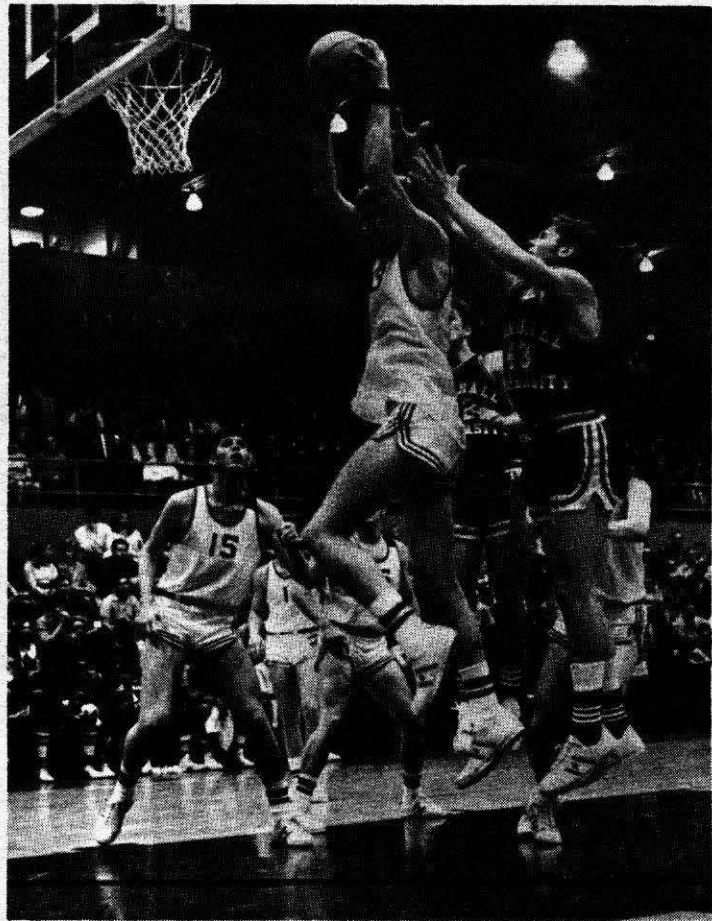
"There is no target date," Dr. Hardman said. "We don't know how fast they (the applications) will develop." The Athletic Committee is one of the largest on campus with five faculty members, two students and two administrators. Realizing the size of the committee, Dr. Hardman said, "We will try to move as rapidly as possible for the good of the university."

Starling indicated he hopes the sessions will not be long. The four football coaches are recruiting at the moment, trying to bring in prospects for next year. Coach Red Dawson is now in charge. Starling said that the NCAA will, in all probabilities, grant their wish to have freshman participate in varsity competition next year.

"Only a formality stands in our way," Starling said. He also commented on the fact that many applicants have sent in letters wanting to come to Marshall to play football. "Of 25 applicants wanting to play as freshman next year, 23 of them have said they definitely want to come here," said Starling. He went on to say that a coach from a Georgia junior college contacted him telling him that six of his players were interested in coming to Marshall.

The athletic staff has received much help from many other areas. Former freshmen coach Ken O'Rourke, who is offensive backfield coach at Hampton Institute (Va.), has pledged his support to help in any way he can. Helpful information has also been coming in from many coaches who graduated from Marshall. Mr. Starling feels that there will be a Varsity-Alumni game at the end of spring practice, indicating that the department is far from sitting back and taking it easy.

As far as the recruiting will go in the Mountain State, MU has a good chance of getting the better prospects from West Virginia. Starling said "I think we'll get our share."



I've got it

ANDY FREDRICKSON rebounds for freshmen in Saturday's varsity-freshmen game as Bob DePathy (43), varsity opponent, reaches in vain. The varsity won 99-53. (See story on page 5A.)

## Women's sports today

Tryouts for the Women's Intercollegiate Basketball Team will begin at 6 p.m. today in the Women's Gym, according to Miss Donna Lawson, basketball coach and instructor of physical education.

Any full-time undergraduate student with a 2.0 grade average is eligible for the team of 14.

In other action, volleyball

### New ticket rules

Procedures for acquiring tickets for home basketball games have been changed, according to Jim Hodges, ticket manager.

Hodges said this year students will be required to present both their ID cards and activity cards. In the past, only the activity cards were necessary.

He added that tickets for both Wednesday and Thursday night's games will be distributed together. These should be picked up before 4:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Gullickson Hall ticket office.

intramurals will resume today. The match originally scheduled for Nov. 17 will be played Dec. 16. The Nov. 18 game will be Jan. 4; the Nov. 19 match is set for Jan. 6 and the match scheduled for Nov. 24 will be played Jan. 11.

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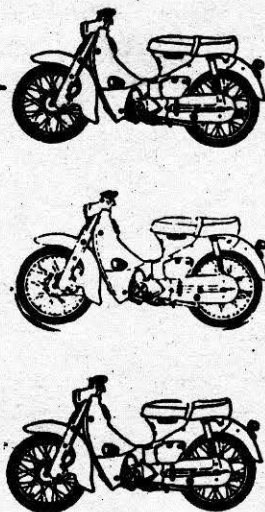
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