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Somber send-off

The Herd began its trek to Asheville, N.C. for the Southern Conference tournament on a rather formal note early yesterday morning. The players and coaches rode to Tri-State Airport in Cadillacs lent by a local dealer.

Staff photo by Mike Kennedy

Order # 2

Faculty gains, students lose

By Peter Van Horn
Reporter

Gov. Arch A. Moore's Executive Order No. 2 will cost Marshall approximately \$900,000, and West Virginia higher education institutions almost \$12 million, according to Michael Queen, student representative on the Board of Regents' Advisory Council of Students.

The order, which is being discussed in the House Finance Committee, is designed to provide funding for faculty salary increases by placing interest money generated from student fees, grants and private funds in the general state revenue fund. Previously, all money was handled by the BOR and earmarked exclusively for education.

According to Queen, this will amount to a loss of almost \$420,000 from now until the end of the fiscal year on July 1.

"This includes interest on the Higher Education Resource Fee," he said. "Marshall will realize a cut of almost \$48,000 in interest just on the HERF money. This is our money, so why shouldn't we be entitled to the revenues?"

In addition, Queen said Student Activities, which traditionally receives \$76,000 in interest funds, also will be forced to cut several student programs from its agenda this year if Moore's proposal goes through.

"Student Activities can't make any new contracts because they don't know if they are going to have enough money right now to honor contracts they have made."

According to Queen, the biggest problem that will face institutions if the interest order is implemented is the loss of money already earmarked in university budgets.

"It wouldn't be half as bad if we were told in the fiscal year '85-86 or '86-87, 'Do not plan on budgeting that money.' But they are telling us to take it off right now," Queen said.

Representatives from the BOR Advisory Council of Students are planning to meet with Moore this week or early next week in an effort to work out a compromise, Queen said.

"What we're going to try to do is meet with Gov. Moore and plead with him not to make the cuts now. Let's split it if the money is needed elsewhere. We all recognize the fact that we've got to tighten the belt a little bit, but \$900,000 in one year?"

According to Queen, student involvement in finding a compromise to the Moore proposal is essential.

"The point we want to make is that students better get concerned right now (before the end of the Legislative session)," Queen said. "They need to write letters and get involved, because unless they do, there is going to be a drastic decline in student services."

"It will be a drastic change that I don't think Marshall or any other institution is ready to budget for," he said.

Nitzschke reflects on first set of priorities...

By Pam King
Special Correspondent

After one year at Marshall's helm, President Dale F. Nitzschke said he has reached some of his goals while others have fallen by the wayside during his reorganization of the administrative structure.

"I think we've been progressing very nicely in certain areas in an attempt to reach some of the goals, but we are moving more slowly in some of the areas than I would have hoped," Nitzschke said.

Getting "to know the territory" was his first priority, Nitzschke stated over

a year ago during his first press conference at Marshall.

"I wanted to get out and meet people, organizations and the public schools. I've done that with the great cooperation of them. Now I have a much better sense of what the needs are and I hope to reflect that back to the institution," he said.

Nitzschke set another priority of increasing the quality and diversity of Marshall's academic programs. He proposed a "rigorous self-examination of all programs to provide a process for internal allocation and reallocation of resources."

"We have not been able to make enormous strides in this area," but part of this goal has been realized through the reorganization of the administrative structure, he said.

"We are also conducting national searches to fill the jobs that are not filled (in the new structure)," he said, claiming this will upgrade the quality and diversity of faculty.

"We also have the outreach program for recruiting and fund raising which will bring in quality and diversity," he said.

As part of the faculty upgrading, NITZSCHKE, page 8

...as MU community evaluates performance

By Elaine Whitely
Staff writer

Dale F. Nitzschke has held his position as university president for only one year. Yet despite his short stay, most students and faculty members say they are impressed by what they've seen — a man with a "dynamic" personality, concerned for students' needs, and eager to put Marshall "on the map again."

"He's brought a lot of good things to Marshall," said Dr. Stuart W. Thomas, associate professor of psychology. "He always seems to be doing something, speaking to one group or another. He's good at public relations, which is something we've really needed."

"I just think he's doing a good job," said Dr. Robert Babb, chairman of the department of Computer and Information Science. "He's making positive strides with the faculty and getting equipment for the department."



Nitzschke

"It's a positive atmosphere. I'm confident that it will continue, and that we'll be the better for it," Babb said.

Dr. Patrick I. Brown, associate dean of the School of Medicine, said he was pleased by Nitzschke's proposed "A-team," a concept the administration hopes will attract top high school seniors by offering university privileges for high academic achievement.

"I'm excited by what the A-team could do for the School of Medicine," Brown said. "It is one of the most exciting concepts I've heard about."

"Nitzschke is very supportive of our programs," he said. "He has toured our building, listened to us, and shown more than just an average interest."

However, Joyce Collins, Shady Spring senior, said she failed to see anything "outstanding" that Nitzschke had done, although she admitted he had not been in office long and should be given the benefit of the doubt.

"I don't think he's had time to make the needed changes," she said. "But he needs to figure out a better system of streamlining people in and out of the

university. That might sound cold, but when you've got 12,000 people trying to register for classes, you can't have just four computer terminals. It's stupid, especially when only one of them is usually open."

Catherine M. Slusher, Huntington medical student, suggested that Nitzschke write letters to West Virginia congressmen expressing his opposition to President Reagan's proposed cuts in student aid.

"I'd like to see him make a political move against Reagan's proposed student aid cuts," she said. "He needs to let it be known that he is in favor of students."

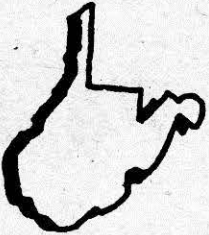
But Slusher said she was pleased with Nitzschke's performance so far. "Things are going very well for me right now, so I can only say that's a reflection of his position."

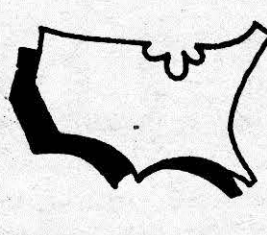
Most faculty members agreed. "When Nitzschke was up for the presidency," Thomas said, "people would tell us, 'You'll be lucky if you can get him, and even luckier if you can keep him.'"

"Well, now we've got him. I just hope we can keep him," he said.

Beyond MU

From The Associated Press

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World 

UMW rallies against Massey subsidiary

LOBATA — United Mine Workers members rallied at a field house on Thursday and then headed for an A.T. Massey Coal Co. subsidiary to try to block non-union coal shipments to a processing plant they've struck for five months.

Hundreds of miners gathered at the Williamson Fieldhouse to discuss their protest, in which they've been sitting in front of trucks hauling coal to the Sprouse Creek Processing Co. in Lobata.

State police Cpl. B.L. Baker said Thursday afternoon that about 80 pickets were at the site but none had been arrested.

Mingo County Circuit Judge Elliott Maynard said he postponed a hearing scheduled Thursday on a contempt petition filed by Massey to allow time for the two sides to negotiate.

Maynard said Gov. Arch Moore has intervened to resolve the dispute, which began Oct. 1 when Massey subsidiaries refused to sign a national coal agreement reached with the Bituminous Coal Operations Association.

Byrd organizing Democratic Senate summit for March 29

SHEPHERDSTOWN — U.S. Senate Democrats will gather in this Jefferson County community in March for a conference organized by Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va.

"I am pleased to be able to bring my Senate colleagues to a serene and comfortable West Virginia setting where we can discuss the important issues facing our country away from the press of business in Washington," the Senate Minority Leader said Wednesday.

The Senate Democrats gathered for a similar conference at Canaan Valley State Park in 1981. It also was organized by Byrd.

Byrd said the agenda for the conference, which will be held March 29 through March 31, has not yet been set, but said it will include discussion groups with experts in international affairs, economics and defense.

Committee accepts nuclear negotiators

WASHINGTON — The Senate Foreign Relations Committee Thursday unanimously approved the three men President Reagan has picked to begin bargaining on a nuclear weapons agreement with the Soviet Union next month.

By an 11-0 vote, the panel sent on to the full Senate the nominations of Max M. Kampelman, a conservative Democrat; former Texas Sen. John G. Tower, a conservative Republican; and career foreign service officer Maynard W. Glitman.

Kampelman will be in overall charge of the talks — which begin March 12 in Geneva — while also handling "Star Wars" and other missile-defense issues. Tower will seek reductions in long-range bombers, missiles and submarines. Glitman will concentrate on nuclear weapons deployed in Europe.

U.S. export news swamped by increasing import flood

WASHINGTON — The United States suffered a \$10.3 billion trade deficit in January, 28 percent higher than the December figure, as a flood of imports swamped a record showing for U.S. exports, the government reported Thursday.

The Commerce Department said the January deficit was far above the \$8 billion deficit recorded in December although the United States exported a record \$19.4 billion in goods during the month.

The export total exceeded the old record of \$19.2 billion set last July and reflected increases in sales of machinery, office machines and new passenger cars.

However, the 1.4 percent gain in exports over the December total was swamped by a 9.2 percent jump in imports, which totaled \$29.7 billion during January.

The United States posted a record trading deficit of \$123.3 billion last year.

Ortega's initiative accepted by Shultz

GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador — Secretary of State George P. Shultz said Thursday he is "perfectly willing" to meet with Daniel Ortega to determine whether the Nicaraguan president's new peace proposals enhance prospects for a negotiated settlement in Central America.

Shultz and Ortega will attend the inauguration Friday in Montevideo of the new president of Uruguay, Julio Sanguinetti.

Shultz said he was aware of press reports that Ortega wanted to meet with him, but added that no official communication had been received from Nicaragua.

"If Mr. Ortega wants to have a meeting in Montevideo, and we can arrange it, which we are perfectly willing to do, then I'll listen carefully to what he says," Shultz said.

Ortega said Wednesday night he was asking 100 Cuban military advisers to leave Nicaragua and was ordering an "indefinite moratorium" on the acquisition of new weapons systems.

On Wednesday, State Department officials indicated Shultz had no interest in meeting with Ortega. His change of heart apparently was caused by Ortega's announcement, which the Nicaraguan described as a "unilateral initiative."

Former Libyan ambassador victim of unknown assailant

VIENNA, Austria — A former Libyan ambassador to Austria and an opponent of Col. Moammar Khadafi, was shot and seriously wounded Thursday in Vienna, police reported.

A police spokeswoman told The Associated Press that Ezzeddin Ghadamsi was rushed to a hospital.

The attack occurred on a Vienna street, police said. Some reports said he was shot in front of the former Libyan ambassador's residence.

According to first reports from the scene, at least two shots were fired at Ghadamsi by an unknown assailant or assailants in a passing car.

Religious Directory

Twentieth Street Baptist Church: Dr. Neil W. Hoppe. Associate Rev. Joel M. Harpold. 20th Street & Fifth Avenue. Phone 523-0824. Weekly Services: Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.; Sunday 7 p.m. Transportation: Call if needed.

First Church of Christ, Scientist: Eleventh Ave. and Twelfth St. Reading Room, 514 Ninth St. Phone 522-2784. 11-3. Weekly Services: Sunday School 11:00 a.m.; Worship 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Evening Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Norway Avenue Church of Christ: John W. Miller Sr. Associate Burney Baggett, Campus Minister. 1400 Norway Avenue. Phone 525-3302 (office); Campus Minister 523-9233. Weekly Services: Sunday 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday Bible class 7:30 p.m.; Student group Monday 7 p.m. Memorial Student Center 2W37. Transportation: Call 523-9233 for van pick-up points.

Fifth Avenue Baptist: Dr. R.F. Smith Jr. 1135 Fifth Ave. Phone 523-0115. Weekly Services: Sunday school 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.; Wednesday Supper 5:15 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Transportation: Sundays 9:20 a.m. and 10:20 a.m.

B'nai Shalom Congregation: Rabbi Stephen Wylen. Tenth Avenue at Tenth Street. Phone 522-2980. Weekly Services: Friday 7:45 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m.; Sunday 9 a.m.

First Presbyterian: Dr. Lynn Temple Jones. Associates Dr. Edward Donnell, Rev. Donald Weiglein. 1015 Fifth Avenue. Phone 523-6476. Weekly Services: Sunday College and Career Class 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Worship 10:50 a.m.; Sunday snack supper and discussion groups 6 p.m. Transportation: Call for more information.

First Congregational Church: (United Church of Christ) 701 5th Ave. Pastor H. Raymond Woodruff. Sunday School (for adults too) 10:00 a.m.; Church at 11:00. Phones: 525-4357, 522-2681.

Enslow Park Presbyterian Church: Rev. Carl L. Schlich III. Enslow and Washington Blvd. Weekly services: Sunday School 9:45 a.m.; Worship 11:00 a.m.

Grace Gospel Church: Rev. William J. Rudd. Assistant Pastor Lucky Shepard. 1159 Adams Ave. Phone 522-8635. Weekly Services: Sunday 10 a.m.; Sunday 6 p.m.; Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Transportation: Church bus.

Highlawn Presbyterian Church: Dr. R. Jackson Haga. 2814 Collis Avenue. Phone 522-1676. Weekly Services: Sunday school 9:45 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m.; Sunday Youth Fellowship 6 p.m. (call for location); Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

Central Christian Church (Disciples of Christ): Rev. Harold E. Simones. 1202 5th Avenue. Phone 525-7727. Weekly Services: Sunday School 9:45 (College Class); Worship 10:40, Youth Meeting 5:00.

Johnson Memorial United Methodist: Dr. F. Emerson Wood. Rev. D. Richard Harrold, Rev. Gary N. Shepard. Fifth Avenue and Tenth Street. Phone 525-8116. Weekly Services: Sunday 8:45 a.m.; Sunday 11 a.m.

Marshall Catholic Community (Newman Center): Father Jim O'Connor, Chaplain. 1609 Fifth Avenue across from Corbly. Phone 525-4618. Weekly Services: Masses-Sunday 10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Monday & Tuesday 9:10 p.m.; Wednesday & Thursday 4:15 p.m.; Prayer meeting on Thursday 8 p.m. Center Prayer Room, library, and lounge open daily.

Opinion

After one year, Nitzschke's honeymoon is over

As he promised in his inaugural press conference a year ago, President Dale F. Nitzschke has "hit the ground running." Indeed, many of the plans and proposals he outlined when he came here have been accomplished or are under way.

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In addition to getting in touch with Marshall, the goals he put forth included increasing the quality and diversity of academic programs through program evaluation and faculty improvement programs. He also emphasized better faculty salaries and more scholarships for students.

Nitzschke has been a highly visible spokesman for Marshall University. He has met with many campus groups and has spoken to countless community groups in his efforts to "get to know the territory." And he's been a good listener.

He is to be commended for his visibility and active involvement in campus and community affairs. But now we believe Nitzschke has done enough "running."

Since one of the major accomplishments of his first year was the reorganization of the administrative hierarchy, Nitzschke should be ready to implement the changes needed to better this university.

He must realize that sooner or later, public appearances must take a back seat to the more crucial tasks involved in running a university. The time has come for Nitzschke to delegate these ceremonial-type responsibilities and devote his full attention to the most pressing issues of this university.

Marshall's president must be highly visible and available to the public but now that the novelty of a new president is waning, a change in attitude must take place.

It is time for Nitzschke to get down to the nuts and bolts of running Marshall University and to provide real leadership for his administration. His actions over the next few months will prove whether he is more style than substance.

Our Readers Speak Lambda's name causes hassles for other group

To the Editor:

I would like to know why a reputable organization such as the Phi Beta Lambda has to put up with being associated with the Lambda Society - they started up at approximately the same time.

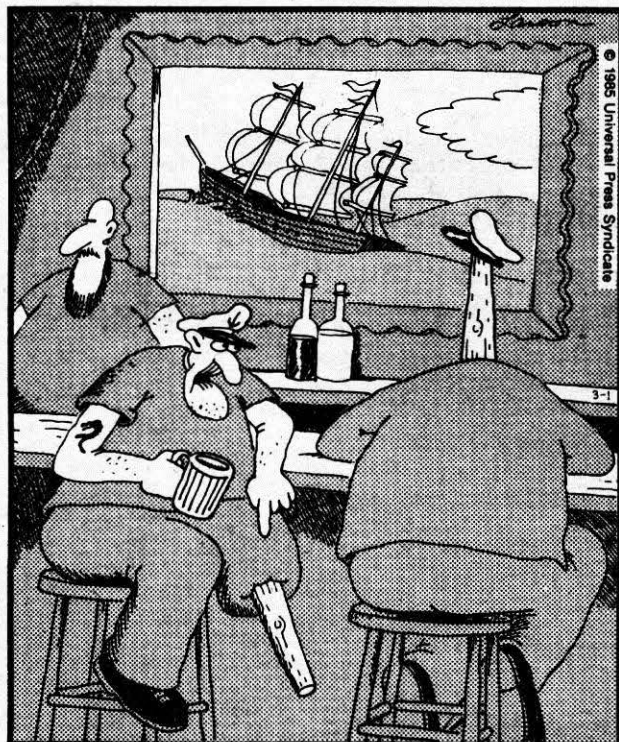
However, I have seen students hassled by other students because they were putting up posters for Phi Beta Lambda and were thought to be from the Lambda Society. This, in my opinion, is not fair to the Phi Beta Lambda members.

I'm not saying the Lambda Society has no right to be on campus, although certain state codes may. I would like to see the Lambda Society either change its name or at least publish the fact that they are not associated with Phi Beta Lambda since the similarity in names is causing such problems.

I. Keplinger
Freshman

THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



"Well, I guess that ain't a bad story—but let me tell you about the time I lost this!"

Students Speak

How do you feel about the proposed Teletrack (an off-track betting facility) in Huntington?



John Hayes
Chesapeake, Ohio, sophomore

It's gonna bring jobs to the people in the Tri-State. Nobody is twisting anybody's arm to go gamble their life savings.



Kim Adkins
Huntington junior

I don't believe Huntington really needs it. I think that our city could develop a different means of bringing jobs to our community. Besides, Teletrack will probably never come to pass. Look how long they've been debating about the Superblock and putting in a Red Lobster.



David Marcum
Kenova sophomore

It's supposed to be a sophisticated system so I doubt it would bring in the "bad element." Huntington, at this point, can't be too selective about anything that could help them financially.



Lisa Snyder
Huntington senior

I think it would be a good idea. It would bring business and money into Huntington. I'm all for that.

Students were randomly interviewed and photographed by Bob Messer.

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Correction

The location where students can pay parking tickets was incorrectly reported in Thursday's issue. Tickets can be paid in the Security Office or in Room 2W6 of the Memorial Student Center.

News briefs

Student assaulted near Corbly Hall

A Marshall student was assaulted and robbed Saturday night at the intersection of Hal Greer Boulevard and Fifth Avenue.

The student, who afterwards called the MU Public Safety Office from Holderby Hall, was escorted by public safety officers to a hospital where the victim was treated for bruised ribs and contusions.

Marshall wins college bowl

One of Marshall University's college bowl teams took first place Saturday in the John Marshall Invitational College Bowl Tournament.

Nine teams from six universities participated in the tourney held in Harris Hall including teams from Purdue University, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Fairmont State and North Carolina State.

Ohio State University sent two teams and Marshall had three: the Marshall University School of Medicine team, the Green and White team and the Gold team, which won the competition.

The winning team consisted of J. D. Maynard, Charleston freshman; Terry Messinger Branchland senior; M. Elaine Sheppard, Peytona junior; Steve E. Wharton, Parkersburg senior; and Brad L. Wind, Huntington senior.

The Purdue team placed second and the Ohio State "A" team took third place in the tournament, which was officiated by MU faculty volunteers.

Marshall will compete Saturday in another college bowl at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville.

Special week honors women

Every night is Ladies' Night at one local bar or another, but next week is special at Marshall because it's time to celebrate National Women's History Week.

It's the time of year to recognize and pay tribute to women's contributions in the United States, according to Karen Tokirsky, Pittsburgh, Pa. graduate student.

March 3-9 has been set aside as the time to honor countless women of all races, ages, cultures, ethnic traditions, and religions.

The activities planned for the week have been designed to increase awareness and appreciation for the achievements of women of the past and present, Tokirsky said. The celebration will begin with the film presentation of "She's Nobody's Baby," on Monday at 7:30 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2W22.

This award-winning documentary, narrated by Alan Alda and Marlo Thomas, traces the evolution of American women in this century. The film will show, according to Tokirsky, how women have been discriminated against, romanticized and ostracized by all kinds of "authorities," including ladies' magazines, sex manuals, Uncle Sam and Wall Street.

However, by the 80's, the American woman was full-grown and independent with the strength to handle any test or adversity her future might hold, she said. Women have struggled for decades to shape the nation's history, to redefine her role and finally to prove that they are nobody's baby, she said.

A covered-dish dinner party is planned for Tuesday from

6:30 to 9 p.m. in the Campus Christian Center. Guests are invited to bring a particular kind of food that has special significance to them or to their families, said Tokirsky.

An essay contest on women's history will be sponsored by the Marshall Department of History, and the winning essay will be read at the dinner party.

On Wednesday, the Women's Center's regular "Lunchbag Seminar" is titled "Historical Huntington Women." The group will meet in the Women's Center, Pritchard Hall 101, from noon to 1 p.m.

Nancy Whear, Marshall librarian for the West Virginia Collection of the James E. Morrow Library, will present the program, and important women of this area and century will be introduced to the group.

Also, a poster exhibit and reception are planned from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Women's Center Thursday. The exhibit, recently purchased from the Smithsonian Institute, is entitled "Black Women: Achievements Against the Odds," Tokirsky said.

In addition, a concert is set for Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at WV State College, Ferrell Auditorium, featuring feminist musicians Teresa Trull and Barbara Higbie. Tickets for the show celebrating International Women's Day, are available by calling 522-7114. The cost is \$10.

Sponsors for the week are Women's Center, United Methodist Campus Ministry and the Department of History.

Free buttons commemorating National Women's History Week are available in the Women's Center.

For more information call 696-3112.



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Sports

History predicts Herd win against Davidson tonight

By Kennie Bass
Sports Editor

History is on the side of the Herd tonight when it faces off against the Wildcats of Davidson.

Davidson has dropped eight of its last nine first-round Southern Conference contests. The Wildcats got by Furman, 74-66, in the opening round of the 1982 tournament. Davidson then beat The Citadel, 57-54, before losing to tournament champion UT-Chattanooga.

"I believe in the law of averages," said Rick Huckabay, head coach for the Herd. "Playing against the averages scares me, but when I get scared I work harder. I know they are going to win in the first round eventually, I just hope it won't be this year."

Marshall swept Davidson in three meetings last season, and the Herd has beaten the Wildcats in both meetings this year. In the first contest, Marshall won in overtime, 80-74. In the second game, it took a last-second jump shot by Marshall guard Bruce Morris to seal a 65-63 MU win.

"If we get complacent and think the record books count for anything, we'll get beat," Huckabay said. "That's what a tournament is all about. Not getting complacent and just staying ready to play every game."

Davidson will be led by freshman Derek Rucker.

Rucker was named to the second squad of the All-Southern Conference team earlier this week.

Davidson's probable starting line-up will consist of Rucker and junior Chris Heineman in the guard positions, forwards Jeff Himes, a freshman, and junior Gerry Born. The center will be junior Ken Niebuhr.

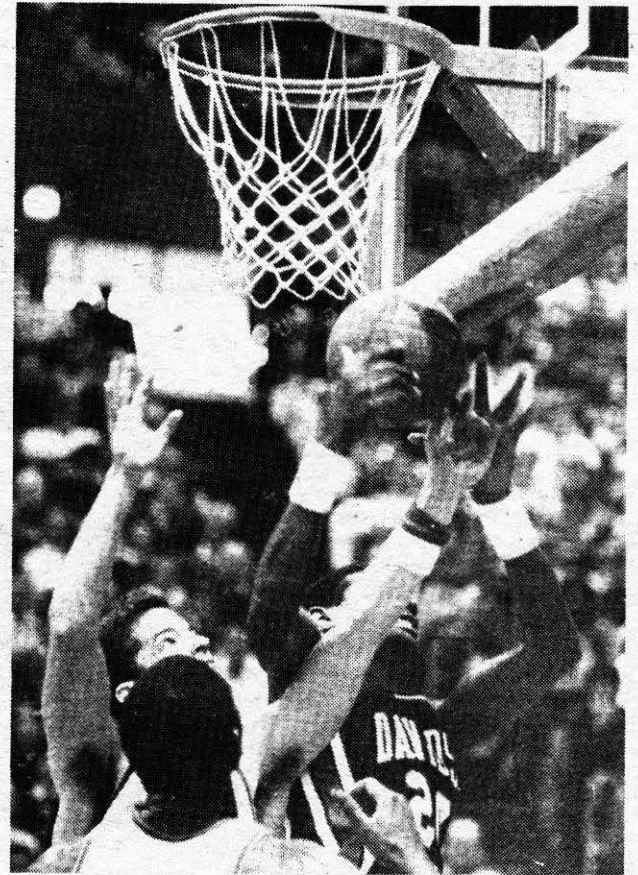
"I'm confident we'll win," Huckabay said. "If you put our athletes against their athletes on a neutral court, roll out a ball and say play, I think we'd win. We've got to play hard, though, because they are always very competitive."

Huckabay compared this year's team to last year's squad in relation to the tournament.

"It's just a totally different situation," he said. "Last year we had a bunch of veterans, and this year we've got a lot of young guys. We had a better coaching job this year than last. I feel like we as a staff did a much better coaching job."

"These kids are very improved. To go through what they had to go through, what I as a coach put them through. There was a purpose to all of those early road games, and all of those games against tough teams. It made them grow up and I think they're ready to play."

Tip-off for tonight's game is 7 p.m. The game will be televised by WSAZ-TV, Channel 3. It will be broadcast on WGNT-AM 930, WAMX-FM 94 and WMUL-FM 88.



Staff photo by Mike Kennedy

Bruce Morris and Robert Eppes fight for a rebound.



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Skeeter sets fast pace following slow start

By Kennle Bass
Sports Editor

James "Skeeter" Roberts didn't see a whole lot of action during his first three years at Marshall.

Oh, he played in 25 games in his freshman year, but he never started and he saw only limited action. In his sophomore season Roberts started in one game and appeared briefly in 23 contests.

Last season, he didn't start, and saw action in only 14 contests. Things looked grim for Skeeter's senior year.

Despite a grim outlook, however, Roberts has played in 28 games this campaign, and started in six. Why?

"Skeeter is the most improved player on this team," Rick Huckabay, head coach of the Herd, said. "If I knew last year what I know now, I would have red-shirted Skeeter if I could have. There's no way I could have done that, but if I could have he would have been even better this year, and he'd have been great next year."

Roberts gives the credit for his improvement to a better attitude about basketball.

"I guess there's been a change in confidence in myself," Roberts said. "I've had a change of attitude about myself and about the team."

That change in attitude has given Roberts more playing time, and has impressed Huckabay.

"Skeeter's improved because now he's in it for the team," Huckabay said. "Before he was in it for Skeeter. All of his success this year has been because of his attitude change. He's a perfect liaison between the coaches and the

team. That's why he's playing more, and that's why he's playing better. He's doing the things I want him to do."

Huckabay said Roberts is one of his best defensive players. Skeeter said playing that part of the game just comes natural to him.

"Instinct always tells me what to do on defense," he said. "If I can block a shot, I'll block it."

One of his blocks resulted in a play that will live in the minds of Marshall fans forever. It was Roberts' block of Wade Capehart's layup that enabled Bruce Morris to make "The Shot" against Appalachian State.

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Skeeter Roberts

"I didn't actually see the shot Bruce made because I fell," Roberts said. "I was just fortunate enough to get a hand on it to block it."

"In the future the remembrance will be the shot, not the block I made. I was just happy Bruce made it. I'm not looking for any glory."

Roberts said although he's known for his defense and rebounding, they are not necessarily his favorite duties. "Defense isn't necessarily my favor-

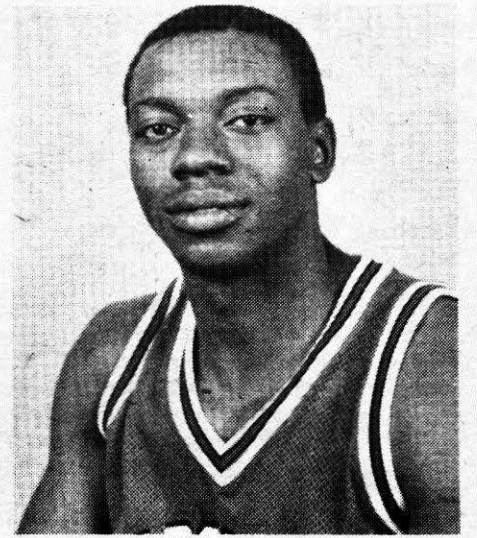
ite thing," he said. "It just happens to be my strong suit. I just haven't been the type of player that would get the ball on the wing and take it to the hole. It's not that I wouldn't like to be, it just hasn't happened that way."

Roberts also talked about how he got his unique nickname.

"I got it at about the same time I got my legal name," Roberts said. "My cousins gave it to me. It doesn't mean anything, I guess I just fit the description of a Skeeter."

Roberts said he did have one regret about his playing career at Marshall.

"I wish I would have asserted myself more toward basketball before my senior year," he said. "Maybe if I would have done that I would have been more of a force to reckon with when it comes to opposing teams. I guess I'll never know."



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Grammy Award-winner conducts MU tribute

by Myra Chico

Margaret Hillis didn't have time Tuesday to attend the ceremony or watch on television as she won her sixth Grammy Award.

Instead, she was at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Huntington, conducting rehearsals for Thursday night's production of the Saint Matthew Passion by Johann Sebastian Bach.



First things first, and the first thing is the Bach.

Margaret Hillis

"First things first," she said of the Grammy awards, "and the first thing is the Bach." The rarely-performed choral work was the first concert in a three-month "Bach at Marshall" celebration of the composer's 300th birthday.

But the Grammy had nothing to do with Bach. Hillis won the prestigious award for conducting the Chicago Symphony Orchestra in "Brahms: A German Requiem." She is in Huntington to conduct the Saint Matthew Passion because "I was invited," she said. "I understand Dr. (Joseph E.) Line is trying to build a large choral department and I thought maybe I could help."

"Dr. Line (associate professor of music at Marshall) has had a great deal of courage to take this work on with a new choir; it is very difficult. I can only think of one or two more difficult," she said.

She said she didn't come to Marshall just to help Line establish a large choral department. "Anyone who gets together the chorus to do Saint Matthew Passion and asks me, I'll come," Hillis said.

Bach wrote the Passion in German, but Hillis said the audience's understanding of the work is "one of the reasons I'm doing it in English."

The MU production is in the King James Version, she said, "a very noble language." Hillis said she grew up with the King James Version of the Bible and that having an understanding of the language would help in understanding the work.

Originally from Kokomo, Indiana, Hillis began studying piano when she was five years old. She continued her musical training with several other instruments, and started conducting while she was still in high school — as assistant conductor of her high school orchestra.

Hillis attended Indiana University, where she received a Bachelor Degree in Music. She also studied at The Julliard School. She has taught at Julliard and at Union Theological Seminary.

She has won many awards besides the six Grammys, including "Woman of the Year in Classical Music" honors in 1978 by the editorial board of Ladies Home Journal, and a citation from the National Federation of Music Clubs in 1981 for her service to music.

Hillis now makes her home in Chicago, where she is director of the Chicago Symphony Orches-

tra, founder and music director of the American Choral Foundation, music director of the Elgin Symphony Orchestra, and a member of the resident conducting staff of the Civic Orchestra of Chicago.

Hillis said she and a group from the Chicago Symphony Orchestra (which she founded in 1957) entertained President Jimmy Carter, Vice President Walter Mondale and other dignitaries in The White House in 1979.

One of the fun aspects of conducting all over America, she said, is that she is in "so many beautiful halls."

There is a bad side to that though. "I don't get to see the front lobby, just the backstage."

Traveling is usually enjoyable for Hillis, but coming to Huntington was not among the most relaxing of her trips. "O'Hare (International Airport, in Chicago) was closed, so I drove from Chicago," she said.

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But neither the hardships nor the awards will keep her from the music she loves.

After driving 10 hours to Huntington on Saturday, she had a three-hour rehearsal. It was, she said, "all in a day's work."

Actors prepare for regional auditions

by Kimberly Harbour

Todd Taylor stood alone on stage at a preliminary audition.

"I hate auditions!"

"You walk into the registration room, and the receptionist — who's pretty bored by now because she has already seen five million and two others who look exactly like you — adds your resume to a stack which seems to be growing to the ceiling.

"Once you get past her, you enter the waiting room and there they are: the five million and two ..."

With this portion of his monologue, the Parkersburg junior probably echoes some apprehensions and frustrations of the seven aspiring MU actors who will be traveling to Tampa next week to audition for the Southeastern Theatre Conference (SETC), the largest regional theater association in the US.

The seven actors were chosen at the state screening auditions held at Marshall last October. The group includes Tina Beardsley, Huntington junior; Lynda Bland, Columbus, Ohio, junior; Joe Chrest, St. Albans junior; Kendra Egnor, Huntington senior; Steven Hesson, Huntington sophomore; Dwayne Johnson, Winfield sophomore; and Mary Ellen Logsdon, Charleston junior.

Dr. N. Bennett East, chairman of the Department of Theatre/Dance, said the SETC auditions were initiated as a professional service to find actors for the outdoor drama companies of ten southern states. East described the annual auditions as both an educational and professional employment opportunity for the students.

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He said one of the guest speakers at this year's convention will be Polly Holiday, who is famed for playing Flo on the CBS series, "Alice."

"Auditioning makes students better actors," he said. "It provides a chance to witness the process of finding a job, and they receive an evaluation of their strengths and weaknesses."

East said the auditions have both advantages and disadvantages for the MU theater program.

"Having students participate in the auditions is good for the program because it gives us a chance to see what type of a job we are doing in training our actors. However, in some ways it can actually hurt our summer productions because our best actors are employed elsewhere."

Joining the seven actors will be Michael Gerwig, Cottageville junior, who will be competing for a job in technical theater. Gerwig, who is majoring in designing technology, said he

thought he had a better chance at employment than the actors because he said technicians are more in demand and he will be able to select with which companies he will interview.

In contrast, East said the actors must earn their interviews by impressing their potential employers when viewed in "cattle calls," the one-minute or 90-second audition performances.

"The students must make the producers think there's something special about them, even though they will be looking at over 600 other actors," he said. "Since the time is so short, they must make the most of it. This will be the only time they can present themselves to the producers, and having a positive attitude and being confident are some of their most important selling points."

"I tell my students, 'Sell yourself, because as actors you are the only product you have to offer.'"



Calendar

Alcoholics Anonymous will have an open meeting at 7:30 p.m. Monday at Campus Christian Center. For more information call 523-9712 or 696-3164.

Church of Christ Student Group will meet for discussion and Bible study at 7 p.m. Monday in Memorial Student Center Room 2W37. For more information call Burney Baggett, campus minister, at 595-3302.

Presbyterian Student Fellowship, P.R.O.W.L. will meet at 8 p.m. Monday in Campus Christian Center for Fellowship. Bible study and discussion, music,

prayer and refreshments. For more information call the Rev. Bob Bondurant at 696-2444.

Office of Public Safety, Traffic and Parking Division would like to inform commuter students that half of the metered spaces on the 5th Avenue lot will be reserved on Wednesday until 10:15 a.m. for the Teachers' Recruitment Consortium. Commuters who usually park in this area are advised to come to the lot as early as possible to obtain a space. All other meters in the other locations will be available as usual.

Phi Sigma Alpha will meet at 3:30 p.m. Monday in Smith Hall Room 435. For more information call Dr. Troy Stewart at 696-6636.

Cinema Arts will sponsor the movie "Kramer vs. Kramer" at 3, 7 and 9:15 p.m. today, and the movie "The Day the Earth Stood Still" at 3 and 7 p.m. Sunday. For more information call 696-6770 or 696-4520.

Marshall Muslim Students Association will meet for prayer today from 1:45 to 2:30 p.m. at 331 14th St., Huntington. For more information call 525-6536.

Nitzschke

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Nitzschke proposed increasing private funding efforts and establishing "faculty chairs" that would have an impact on local economy.

These proposals have been "moving the slowest," Nitzschke said. Although he has outlined a "faculty excellence" program that could raise from \$1 million to \$10 million by 1987, the program has not been presented yet for approval to the MU Foundation.

"We won't be able to launch private fund-raising efforts until the new Vice President for Institutional Advancement is put into place," he said, adding that he wants the new vice president to have some input into the program before it begins.

No special "faculty chairs" have been established for fund raising and local economical impact. "We need to find additional money to make sure all of the support mechanisms are in place," he said.

Another effort towards faculty diversity was initiated last month when Nitzschke appointed Robert Lawson as chairman of the Affirmative Action Committee. The committee is designed to assess the minority faculty situation to determine what kind of appointments are needed.

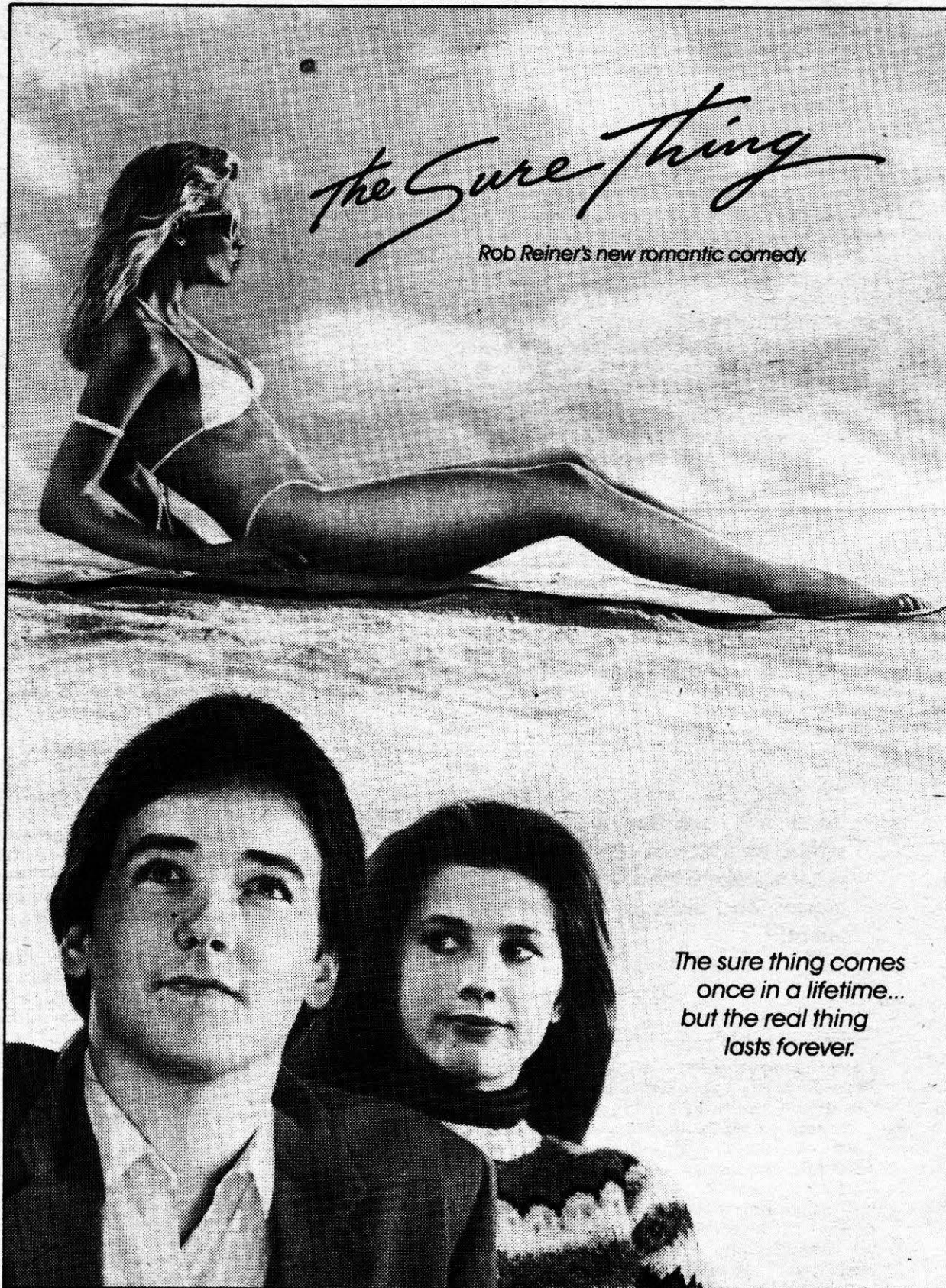
But this, too, is still in the "ground work," Nitzschke said.

Nitzschke also stated a commitment to increase the library's holdings.

Nitzschke said he has asked the Director of University Libraries Kenneth T. Slack to design a proposal intended to establish an organization called "Friends of Libraries." This program would promote private funding support to the library, Nitzschke said.

Another program Nitzschke has proposed will eventually enhance student diversity.

He has proposed the "A" team, which is a student scholarship program, funded from private sources, and designed to attract the scholastically "elite" students. The details of this program are not complete.



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