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Gay pride week ends amid protests

By Tony Pierro
Reporter

Although the last day of Gay and Lesbian Pride Week met with fierce opposition by flag-waving protesters, Marshall Lambda Society's co-president said she found the counter-demonstration encouraging.

"Even though it was kind of nerve-wracking, it was good because they were expressing how they feel," Melissa F. Charlton,

Summersville graduate student, said.

Protesters carrying American and Confederate flags and wearing shirts with anti-gay slogans such as "Don't bend for a friend" and "AIDS Kills Fags Dead," marched around Old Main and Northcott Hall Friday chanting, "Go home queers. Go home."

Charlton said those shirts were "blatant harassment" and should not be allowed under university policy.

Much of Friday's protests were in response to the Lambda Society's blue jeans day, in which everyone who supported gay rights was asked to wear denim.

Donald L. Salyers, director of public safety, said Marshall University Police Department and campus crime watch members provided security for both rallies and were prepared for Friday's protests.

"We were expecting it because of the media exposure. I think, though, a lot of

people are going to be disappointed because they expected more to happen," he said.

Salyers estimated the crowd to be more than 300.

Charlton said she heard some people leaving the rally say they stopped the Lambda Society with the counter protest.

However, she disagreed. "I feel it was a victory for us because for once they were reacting to us instead of us reacting to their violence," she said.

SGA senators defend new leader's actions

By Ella Elaine Bandy
Reporter

Despite recent verbal attacks made against the president pro-tempore of Student Government Association, members say they have full confidence in his abilities.

"Tac (Taclan B. Romey) is very capable and competent at leading the Senate," Sen. Kevin L. Willison, Parkersburg junior, said.

"The question of confidence was not called," Romey, Munich, Germany, junior, said. "I think that I have even stronger support from senators, because of the way I have handled the situation."

Last week Tracy L. Hendershot, former student body president, criticized the interviewing process for new senators as well as the selection of a senator to write a bill for partial funding of Gay and Lesbian Pride Week.

Romey said he stands behind his decision to ask candidates how they would vote on the Lambda Society bill as well as the judiciary committee's selection of candi-

dates.

"I will uphold the committee's decision," Romey said.

Willison said although he thinks candidates should have been asked their opinions of the bill, he wishes that Romey had told the other senators the applicants were going to be asked.

"I think a lot of controversy could have been avoided if the senators had been told first," Willison said.

Chris N. Lucas, Parkersburg freshman, who was not chosen by the committee for senator, said he thought it was improper for senators to be asked about the Lambda bill, "because candidates should be chosen on their merits and not their ideology."

William S. Deal, Ranger senior and senate candidate, said applicants should not have been asked their opinions on the bill because, as senators, they would be representing their constituents in their colleges and not just themselves. Deal is the previous president pro-tempore.

"Having known his (Romey's) position before, I know from experience it takes a lot of energy and that criticism is part of the

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Germany to reunify today

'Wars have been fought for things like this', native says

By Jack Bailey
Staff Writer

Dagmar Weill never thought she would live to see the reunification of East and West Germany.

But today, nearly 41 years after her homeland was divided, the two German republics will become one again.

"I never thought it would happen in my lifetime. I was so surprised," Weill said. "Wars have been fought for things like this, and it's really amazing that this was achieved without war."

Weill, the media librarian for the James E. Morrow Library, was born and spent much of her early life in Kiel, in what is now

West Germany.

As a child she vividly can remember World War II, and the constant fighting that took place in her area.

"It got to where I could hear from the sound of a plane's engine whether it was an English, Russian or an American plane," she said.

Weill said that 90 to 95 percent of her town was destroyed during the course of the war, and that at certain times it was bombed every night.

Because of the constant bombardment, Weill spent much of her early life moving around just to attend high school. At one

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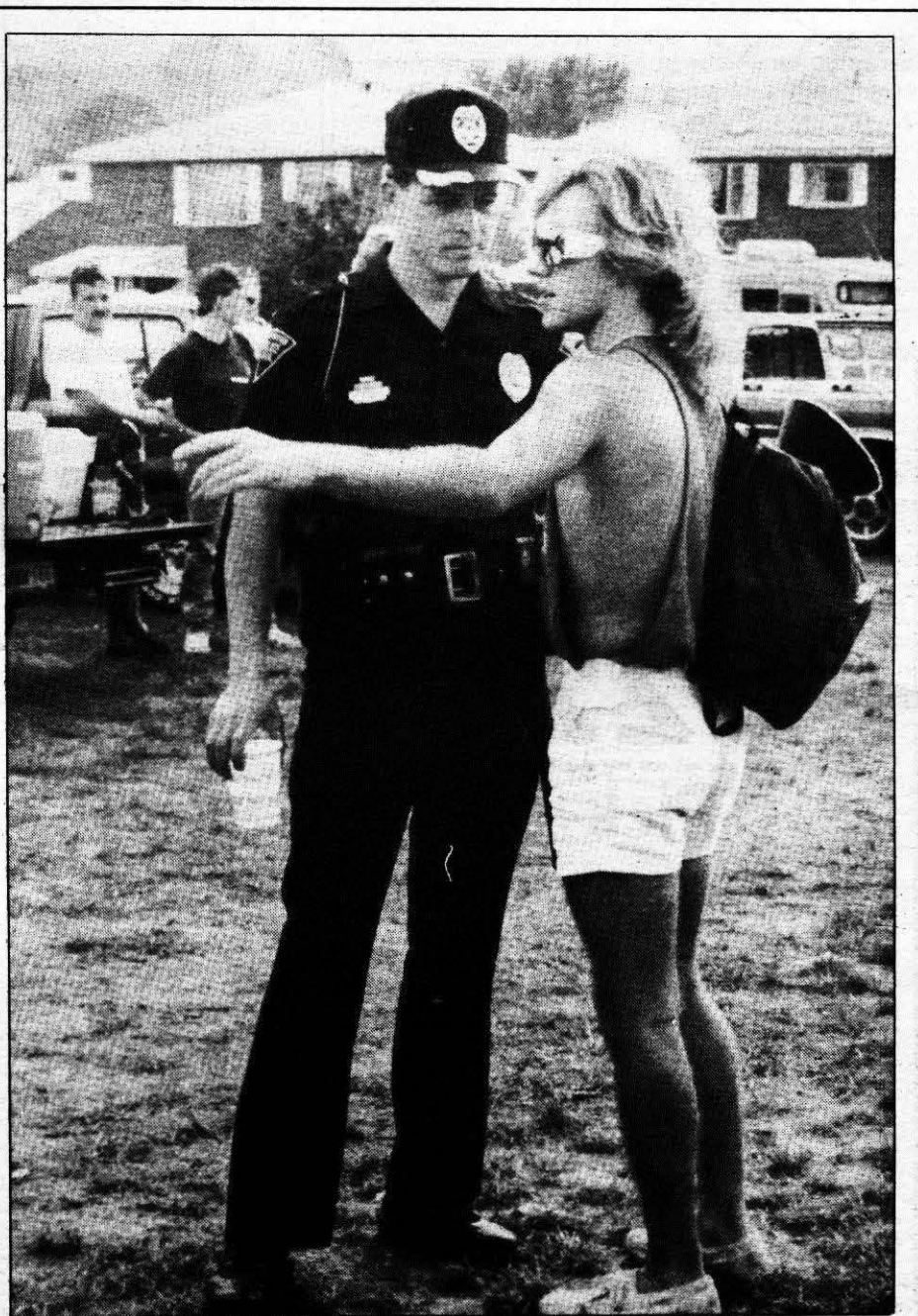


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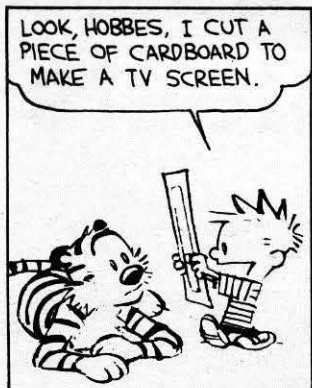
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Officer Randy Wiles of the Huntington Police Department confronts Michael Gill, Parkersburg sophomore, about his use of a hose in a beer drinking game on Prindle Field before the football game Saturday. Gill later was escorted off the field by police. The Greater Huntington Park and Recreation District passed a new policy two weeks ago that prohibits the use of siphons, hoses and glass on the field.

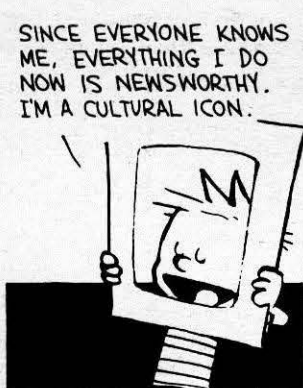
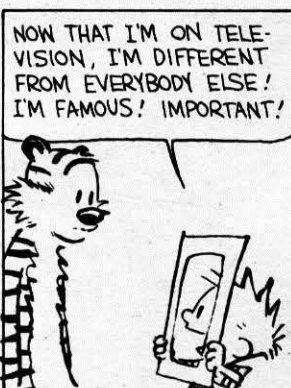
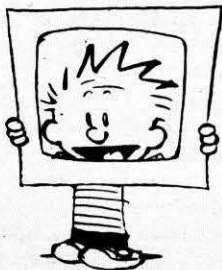
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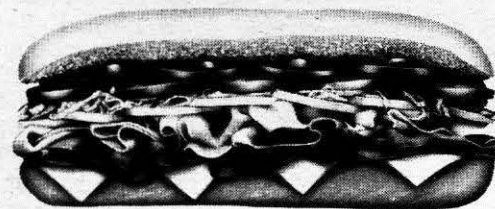
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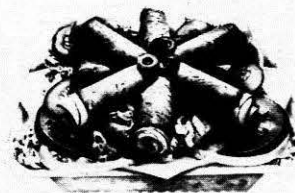
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Opinion

Editorial

Anti-homosexual demonstration: a test of tolerance

In a sad display of their First Amendment rights Friday a group of protesters crowded onto the Memorial Student Center plaza to vocally express their disapproval of the gay and lesbian lifestyle.

But, no matter how deplorable, shameful and embarrassing their demonstration may have been, according to the Constitution of the United States they have every right to assemble in public and make their views known.

In the past, expression of views contrary to university policies and ideals have resulted in a loss of individual freedoms by the campus population.

One shining example of such restriction is the current sign policy, which dictates all signs not posted in a private office or on a department bulletin board must be approved by the Office of Student Activities.

Basic human rights may be stolen as the result of Friday's protest — natural rights that should not be denied homosexuals or self-proclaimed rednecks.

How can protecting the rights of one group justify suppressing those of another?

Just as the methods of the anti-homosexual protesters may have been wrong, so too would be any attempt to silence them through limiting their freedoms.

Tolerance is a double-edged sword. Just as we are expected to tolerate those supporting homosexual rights, we also must tolerate the anti-homosexual protesters — both in the name of freedom of expression.

Once the ax hacking away at our personal freedoms starts its descent, it may be very hard to stop. Don't allow anyone that power.

Readers' Voice

Sign policy violates rights; Alpha Society's members paying for just disagreeing

To the Editor:

I am writing about the recent controversies over the Lambda Society rally and the response to it by the university and others. First of all, the posting of signs is free speech, protected by the First Amendment, subject to "reasonable time and place" restrictions (not on stop signs, for example).

Marshall University, a state university, violates the First Amendment when it reviews the notices placed on public bulletin boards and takes down whatever statements it doesn't like. It is one step further from the Bill of Rights for the university to claim the right to pre-approve and censor, what goes up, which is the policy we have now. This is an egregious infringement of free speech and public debate. This type of behavior would be bad enough by some redneck town; when committed by an institution of "higher learning," it is unbelievable.

Now the latest with the anti-gay signs is that Marshall's assistant director of public safety is sending the Marshall University Police Department into action to identify and apparently do something unpleasant to whomever dared to disagree with Marshall's liberals by posting, "If you're normal, dress formal" signs, along with some more offensive signs, around campus.

For the record, I think that harassment of people is wrong, and those who advocate it also are wrong, but my point is that no one's opinion, not mine, nor The Parthenon's, nor the Lambda Society's, nor the university's, is permitted under our Constitution to hold a veto power over all other opinions.

Folks, why is it that while the rest of the world is turning to freedom and glasnost, we have Marshall's police going after people who want to disagree? What's next: Requiring pre-approved platforms for student government candidates? Or wiretapping the College Republicans?

Richard L. Siemens,
Huntington attorney
medical student

To end racism at MU alum says fire Carter

To the Editor:

When are we going to end racism at Marshall University? At first, this may seem like a complex question, but the first step is quite obvious. Philip Carter must be fired! Enough is enough.

For more than five years, we have had to endure the aggravation and embarrassment of this incredible clown, as he parades his self-indulgent campaign of bigotry about our campus. Carter's continued harassment of Dr. Dale F. Nitzschke was an embarrassment for many years. I'm sure the next president will incur the same treatment from this buffoon, because there is certainly no way to make peace with him. The mistake Nitzschke made was trying to appease Carter in the first place, when the solution was all too apparent. Philip Carter must be fired.

As an instructor, many people believe that Carter has always been a joke. As a role model for black youth, I believe Carter has been a clear example of failure and self pity. Carter has been a detriment to the Social Work program, and a blemish on this university. A report from the committee to study the Social Work program concluded that Carter should be removed from the program. And finally — and most seriously — Carter appears out of control.

Of course, Carter has not been fired, and the reason is all too clear. We certainly wouldn't allow this kind of behavior out of a white man. Were Carter to be fired, he could proclaim himself a martyr for the cause, and carry his parade further. However, most people at Marshall can see that it's time to do what we all know will be necessary in the long run? If Carter wants to be a martyr, let's help him be one. Philip Carter must be fired!

Roman J. Stalka III
Marshall alumnus

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Student says Senate president exemplary leader

To the Editor:

I attended a Student Government Association meeting on last Tuesday. My first comment is that its leadership under Tachlan Romey can doubtfully be paralleled by any other organization leader on campus. Though his views and mine differ, he was fair and impartial. I think his exemplary leadership is to be commended.

I would like first to publicly apologize for a comment that I made out of frustration. I said that the finance committee had a meeting in a corner to purposefully avoid the representation of our MAPS (Marshall Action for Peaceful Solution) organization had there. I shouldn't have said it that way, however everyone there knew who we were and why we were there.

The finance committee did have a meeting in a corner, for what purpose I don't know, but they did not bring the meeting to order in public like they should have considering there was student representation present. I am speaking about this because Dr. Don Robertson was right about SGA. They do have an important job and they do make decisions for the entire student body.

There is now a proposal on the floor to direct all requests for funding directly to the finance committee. Bert Compton, senator, stated this was to expedite fund transactions for the organizations in school. I can appreciate the sentiment for wanting the clubs to get their money more quickly, but which ones are going to get it?

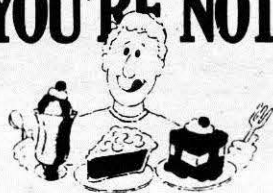
If the issue is to be immediately directed to the finance committee for a proposal of an amount, then the students will not be able to tell the entire group in what way the groups activities will benefit the entire campus. Compton said the groups could come to the regular SGA meeting after the proposal was made by the finance

committee and then present their organization. That's like picking a cake recipe winner before tasting the cake. Think about it.

In reply to Compton's question for us, I would like to clear up a couple of things. MAPS as a group did not support the Gay and Lesbian Pride Week march, though there were those individuals who did support their right to expression. Second, he asked us if we were so concerned about the environment, why we supported a group that put over "a thousand" flyers that litter the campus. My reply, Compton, is much like the stuff emanating from your mouth — paper is bio-degradable, and if it weren't, human rights have precedence over a couple "hundred" pieces of paper. Your comments and remarks only displayed your ignorance in an underhanded, bigoted attempt to grab attention. Obviously when you were appointed to the Senate you weren't scrutinized as closely as those just recently appointed. Too bad.

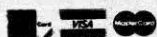
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Senators

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job," Deal said. "He's doing just as well as any other senate president."

Deal also said he thought Hendershot's actions were appropriate. "He felt the need to point out a wrong. I wish that more students had voiced their opinions when I was pro-tempore," he said.

Willison said that although no senators were pressured to write the Lambda bill, Romey should have addressed the entire

senate instead of approaching individual members.

Romey said SGA can learn from the incident.

"We're students trying to do things as well as possible and not professionals," Romey said. "The recent controversy has shown me how misunderstanding and lack of communication can blow everything out of proportion."

Germany

From Page 1

point, she, along with five other classes of students, was taken to Austria to live for six months so they could have school.

"The teacher taught us with no pencils, books, or notebooks. It was all part of the war effort," she said. "When you are a kid and you grow up in that type of situation you don't know anything different. You don't know any other way."

Weill continued to live in West Germany after the war, until 1956 when she came to the United States with her American husband.

She came to Marshall 11 years ago and has worked in the James E. Morrow Library since then.

Weill said now that German reunifica-

tion is at hand, certain problems may face the German people.

"East Germans are coming over to West Germany in droves, and in order to get a job they are working under the minimum wage limit. The West Germans are saying, 'can we stomach it?', but I think it will all work out eventually," Weill said, adding, "The West German economy is very strong."

She said she does not think a united Germany poses a threat to the world.

"Going through two wars has changed the German people. I don't think any of the younger generation want war."

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Greeks learn from national teleconference

By M. Caroline Walker
Reporter

Marshall Greeks hosted other area Greeks Sunday evening in participating in a three-hour national teleconference to discuss the values and ethics of the Greek system.

The theme of the live telecast, based at Oregon State University, was "Greeks Will Survive the '90s."

"21 Critical Choices" were developed by the coordinators of the event "that the Greek community can, will and must make to survive and succeed in the 21st Century," Dr. Will Keim, host and moderator of the event, said.

These "choices" were discussed in a booklet distributed to the 142 campuses throughout the U.S. and Canada that received the teleconference via satellite. Amanda L. Harless, coordinator of Greek Affairs, referred to the booklet, entitled "The Power of Caring," as the "Greek Survival Kit."

Keim discussed with experts the problems with alcohol, drugs, hazing, peer pressure, date rape, and acceptance of others. He often urges Greek students to get help from their brothers and sisters with problems they have in these areas. "You don't need drugs and alcohol to deal with your feelings, you've got brothers and sisters," Keim said.

Eileen Stevens, founder of the Committee to Halt Useless College Killings (CHUCK), reported that 50 college students in the past 11 years have died from hazing. Stevens' son, Chuck, died as a result of hazing. Many speakers spoke against the hazing problem within some Greek organizations.

The conference included an address by Dr. Freddie Grooms, assistant to the President of Florida State University, who said blacks have developed their own fraternities and sororities because they are not accepted or included in traditional white Greek organizations.

Speakers praised the community service and scholarship efforts of the Greek system. Several fraternity students from around the U.S. bicycled across the country to aid the severely handicapped and dance marathons have raised millions of dollars for children afflicted with cancer. In the area of scholarship, one speaker said: "being Greek must become synonymous with academic marks of excellence."

Dr. Pat Brown, Alpha Tau Omega faculty adviser, said he found two of the speakers, Eileen Stevens and Cathy Egly Waggoner, very moving in their presentations on hazing and date rape. He said he hopes to arrange for them to address all students at Marshall.

Louise A. Kelley, Panhellenic Council President, said she thought many of the issues discussed provided vital information for Greek students. One shortcoming she noted was that there wasn't enough time to field questions called in from viewers during the three-hour telecast.

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Groucho still giving the gift of laughter

Marxes leave lasting marks on funnybones of Americans

By Robert Saunders
Staff Writer

In Woody Allen's 1986 film, "Hannah and Her Sisters," Allen plays a suicidal man who sinks to the depths of comic despair. One night, while walking aimlessly, Allen wanders into an all-night movie theater that's showing "Duck Soup," the 1933 Marx Brothers comedy classic of mayhem and lunacy.

Total anarchy flickers on the screen. The scene is the satirical "Going to War" production number, where Groucho and his brothers lope across a stage singing "all God's children got guns, got guns, all God's children got guns."

Allen soon finds himself joining in with the laughter that fills the theater. He leaves with the renewed hope that even though life may be ultimately meaningless, there are moments of pure joy that make it worthwhile.

The Marx Brothers' unique brand of film comedy has given moviegoers these moments of pure joy for over 60 years. Their films seem so contemporary it's difficult to believe that the most famous brother, Groucho, was born Oct. 2, 1890—100 years ago today.

Groucho and his brothers, Chico, Harpo and sometimes Zeppo, made their last movie together in 1949. Groucho went on to have a successful career in radio and television, and before his death in 1977 had published several books. But it's his movies with his madcap brothers that endure.

The "Marxist" brand of lunatic comedy is unique, although the Monty Python troupe carried on in the same tradition. Film critic Leonard Maltin has written that the Marxes' socially destructive humor is more in vogue today than it was in the 1930s.

While this may be true, it's the figure of Groucho himself who seems to have universal appeal. His movie image, with the grease pencil mustache and eyebrows, slouched over walk and ever-present cigar, is unforgettable once seen. But what made audiences love him were his unrelenting verbal assaults and inexhaustible supply of one-liners:

"You've got the brain of a four-year-old boy and I bet he was glad to get rid of it."

Some of his most famous exchanges were with Margaret Dumont, who appeared in several of the films. She usually played a rich widow whom Groucho would woo unashamedly. A typical exchange is this one when Dumont catches Groucho making eyes at an attractive blond in a restaurant:

DUMONT: *How dare you look at a strange woman?*

GROUCHO: *I was only looking at her because she reminded me of you.*

Or this from "Duck Soup":

GROUCHO: *Not that I care, but where is your husband now?*

DUMONT: *He's dead.*

GROUCHO: *He's just using that as an excuse.*

DUMONT: *I was with him to the*



Chico and Harpo Marx look on as Groucho hams it up on the set of "Duck Soup."

end.

GROUCHO: *No wonder he passed away.*

DUMONT: *I held him in my arms and kissed him.*

GROUCHO: *So—it was murder?*

Paul Wesolowski of New Hope, Pa., director of a national Marx Brothers fan club, says the appeal of the Marx Brothers is broader now than it was in the early 70s, when their films were popular mainly on college campuses. He has a simple explanation for their continuing popularity.

"Basically, they were funny," Wesolowski said. "I'm not sure you can analyze why they were funny. They (the brothers) certainly didn't analyze it."

Wesolowski said he knows of several film festivals scheduled across the country this week in honor of Groucho's birthday, and

a new documentary of his life will be shown on some cable channels.

There is also a play, currently in Boston, called "Groucho: A Life in Review," written by Groucho's son, Arthur. The play has been successful off Broadway and in London, Wesolowski said.

"Duck Soup" is both a monument to absurdity and a hilarious political satire that often crosses over into pure surrealism.

As Rufus T. Firefly, prime minister of Freedonia, Groucho shoots off his mouth at every opportunity. When he's not insulting a pompous prince, he's professing love to the wealthy Dumont ("... all I have to offer you is a Rufus over your head").

"Duck Soup" is their most anti-establishment film, and helped make the Marx Brothers cultural icons on campuses in the '60s.

Of their other films, "Horsefeathers" is notable for being a deli-

cious farce on college life. Groucho plays a lecherous college president who spends his time recruiting football players and chasing after the college widow.

There's also "A Night at the Opera"—their biggest hit and Groucho's personal favorite. It's easy to see why with lines like this: "A thousand dollars a night for an opera singer? Why, for seventy-five cents you can get a phonograph record of Minnie the Moocher. For a buck and a quarter you can get Minnie."

Perhaps the real reason Groucho and his brothers continue to be popular is because audiences haven't changed much since the '30s. A person doesn't have to be a suicidal Woody Allen to enjoy these films. People still need to be reminded not to take the world too seriously.

It's always better to laugh. Happy centennial, Groucho.



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Sports



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Marshall center Steve Geoly grimaces as he leaves the field after suffering an ankle injury against Furman. Geoly, a 5-foot-11, 245-pound junior from Greenwood, S.C., left the game late in the first quarter. Marshall defeated the Purple Paladins, 10-7, Saturday in front a crowd of 16,034 to improve its record to 3-1. The Herd jumped into the NCAA Division I-AA poll at number nine Monday.

Marshall rocks Paladins, 10-7

By Chris Dickerson
Sports Editor

By defeating Furman 10-7 Saturday night, the Herd did more than win a football game.

By beating the Paladins, the Herd won THE game of its young football season. It is a game that will be remembered by Herd fans because of the opponent and because it happened in the last season at Fairfield Stadium.

With 4:26 left in the game, sophomore quarterback Michael Payton hit junior flanker Ricardo Clark with a 30-yard pass to give the Herd the victory.

Marshall improved to 3-1 overall and 1-1 in the Southern Conference with the win and leaped into the NCAA Division I-AA Top 20 Poll at nine.

Furman dropped to 3-2 and 1-1 and fell from number four to 12 in the poll.

With a 2-3 record, Georgia Southern, the Herd's opponent Saturday, moved into the Division I-AA Poll at number 20.

Game Four — Furman

Marshall	0	3	0	7	10
Furman	0	7	0	0	7

How They Scored

Second quarter

•MU — Klein 36-yard field goal, Marshall 3, Furman 0.

•Furman — Clardy 7-yard pass from DeBusk (Connally kick), Marshall 3, Furman 7.

Fourth quarter

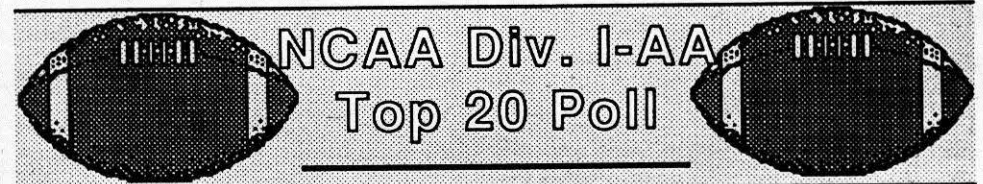
•MU — Clark 21-yard pass from Payton (Klein kick), Marshall 10, Furman 7.

Attendance: 16,034

Records:

Marshall 3-1 (1-1 in SC)

Furman 3-2 (1-1 in SC)



1. Middle Tennessee State	5-0	11. Massachusetts	2-0-1
2. Grambling State	4-0	12. Furman	3-2
3. Southwest Missouri State	4-1	13. Liberty	4-1
4. Eastern Kentucky	4-0	14. Colgate	3-1
5. Nevada-Reno	4-0	tie Jackson State	4-1
6. New Hampshire	3-0-1	16. Northwest Louisiana	2-2
tie Youngstown State	5-0	17. Northern Iowa	2-2
8. Montana	3-1	18. The Citadel	2-2
9. MARSHALL	3-1	19. Boise State	3-2
10. Eastern Washington	3-1	20. Georgia Southern	2-3

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Calendar

Sigma Delta Pi (Spanish Honor Society) is showing the film "Erendiva" with English subtitles today at 7 p.m. in Smith Hall 154. The movie is free and open to the public. A 50 cent voluntary donation would be appreciated.

PROWL is sponsoring Bible study and discussion tonight at 8:30 in the Campus Christian Center. The program will be "Prodigals on the Modern Campus." Refreshments will be served.

Phi Alpha Theta (History Honorary) is sponsoring a book sale from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. today in the lobby of the Memorial Student Center.

Student Health Education Programs (SHEP) is sponsoring a six-week weight loss class starting at 3 p.m. Wednesday. The 90-minute class will meet weekly and focus on how to change eating habits, manage stress and maintain a healthy lifestyle. Individuals may call 696-4800 to register.

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Trading term papers for teaching

Students change roles through program

By Mary L. Calhoun
Reporter

Business students will get a chance to be sixth grade teachers this semester through the Junior Achievement of the Ohio Valley, Inc.

Fifteen students enrolled in Management 424, Personnel Management, will teach business organization, management, production and marketing to sixth graders in local middle schools.

The students in the management class, taught by Dr. Robert P. Alexander, dean of the College of Business, are teaching in lieu of doing a term paper for the course.

Katherine J. Junker, senior operations manager for Junior Achievement, said "We have 165 classes with 4,000 students. We educate the sixth graders on the free enterprise system and how they are part of it."

"We want to teach them how to be better employees, better consumers and better voters," she said. "We plant the seeds to prepare their futures in the business world."

Students involved are from Cabell and Wayne counties in West Virginia, Law-

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Kathy Junker

rence and Scioto counties in Ohio, and Greenup, Boyd, Lawrence, Martin and Carter counties in Kentucky.

Cindy Ann Pancake, Lavalette senior, said, "We will go into the middle schools four times and teach business basics. I'm eager to find out how much the students already know."

Tighe S. Frantz, sixth grade social studies teacher at Cammack Middle School, said, "I was really pleased with the teachers who came last year. They did a great job. They got the kids interested and used

ideas the kids could relate to."

Last year Frantz's class became an assembly line for ball-point pens. She said the exercise helped relate the business world to their daily experiences.

Junior Achievement has grown rapidly in the past four years, Junker said. "Last year high school seniors involved in our after-school program in Ashland and Ironton produced and marketed trouble lights for cars, and they entered them in the National Junior Achievement Convention."

After winning the title, Local Company of the Year, they went on to regional and national competitions. The group won third in the nation out of 23 companies, Junker said.

Junker said she hopes a kindergarten through third grade economic program will be initiated to "get them early and prepare them from the beginning."

The Junior Achievement program, a national non-profit organization, has been in the Tri-State since 1972 and in Huntington since 1986. The program has 216 offices nationwide and has reached over 1 million students.

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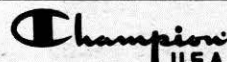
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