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Herd frustrated by southern foes

By MIKE CHERRY
Sports Editor

Even a trip to the South over spring break is not without its moments of disappointment.

While clouds or 50-degree temperatures deject most vacationers, the Marshall baseball team was frustrated by only three wins in eight games in Georgia and South Carolina. More importantly, the Herd won only twice in four Southern Conference games, splitting doubleheaders with Furman and The Citadel.

"I guess I was somewhat pleased by the trip," said baseball coach Jack Cook. "Considering we haven't been outside, maybe we should be satisfied. I would like to have had a better record in the conference."

Last season, Marshall won the Southern Conference with an 11-1 record. "I guess the biggest disappointment of the trip was the conference losses," Cook said. "I was hoping for at least three out of four."

"The conference games are the big thing," Cook said. "We played pretty well, but did not get timely hitting."

As for the team's 3-7 overall record, Cook said one has to expect that after opening the season by playing teams in the South. "It (the losing record) is something you always come back with when playing teams in the South," he said.

"Look at our first trip," Cook said. "The University of Miami

has been playing since September." Marshall lost its first two games of the season to the nationally-ranked Hurricane on Feb. 16 and 17.

In addition to the double-header splits with the league foes, the Herd won one of three games with Columbus College and lost a single game to West Georgia College. Cook said those games were essentially to prepare for conference play.

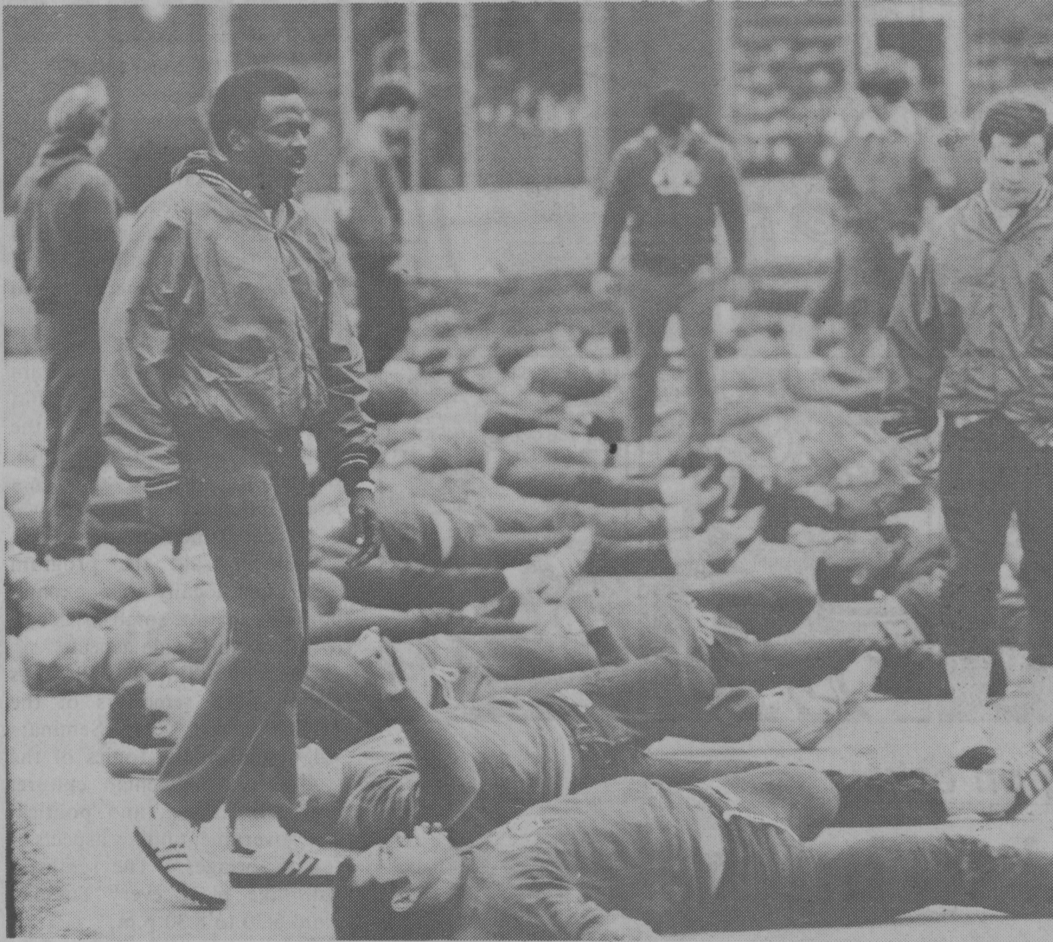
"Those games count on our record, but it is really the conference games we are looking to win," Cook said. "It takes time to become prepared. That is what you hope to accomplish on a spring trip."

Cook said he was pleased with the progress his team made in some areas. He cited pitching and strong defense as the team's bright points in the South.

"We turned 11 double plays in eight games," Cook said. "That is more than we usually turn in a season." Cook said all his pitchers did well, singling out Jerry Chapman and Grant Campbell. Chapman, Mike Sedberry and Jim Tattersson picked up the wins for the Herd.

As for the 2-2 start in the conference, Cook said Marshall's chance of defending the championship will be tougher, but not impossible.

The Herd will open its home season with a double-header Tuesday against West Virginia Tech.



Marshall's Thundering Herd limbers up during off-season football training Tuesday. Reggie Oliver, a former MU quarterback, offers instruction and encouragement.

Photo by ED PASLEY

Oliver is the seventh coach hired by head coach Sonny Randle, although his appointment has not yet been announced.

Sport talks scheduled

A seven-week symposium on "Sport in Modern America" will be conducted Thursday evenings in Gullickson Hall Room 123 beginning March 15 and continuing through April 26.

The sessions will be conducted by the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation at MU.

Several guest speakers discussing different aspects of sport from World War II to the present will highlight the symposium, according to Dr. C. Robert Barnett, MU assistant professor of health, physical education and recreation.

The symposium, open to all tri-state area residents, will have no registration fee.

Sessions of March 15 and April 5 will begin at 6:30 p.m., while all other sessions are scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

Symposium topics include "Physical Fitness in the 1950s and 1970s: Why It Did Not Work Then and Why It Is Working Now," on March 15; "Blacks in American Sport," March 22; "The Print Media and Sport," March 29; "Women in American Sports," April 5; "Intercollegiate Athletics," April 12; "Youth Baseball," April 19; and "The Electronic Media and Sport," April 26.

Drastic changes in view for MU football - Randle

On Feb. 28 at the Guyan Golf and Country Club, Marshall head football coach Sonny Randle defined the word "outspoken" when he told an audience of about 200 that there will be some drastic changes next year in Marshall football.

"I'm an emotional guy," Randle said Tuesday. "I get excited by just standing on my feet. I meant what I said—there will be some changes around here."

At the banquet for ex-MU Athletic Director Whitey Wilson, Randle said if things do not change, "Then you'd better pray for a miracle in the fall." He also compared his plight to that of a poker player who had two good cards but needed three more to fill out his hand. He cited President Robert B. Hayes as his "ace" and the people at the banquet as his "king."

"People see what they want in that statement," Randle said. "I did not mean anyone or anything in particular by that statement. I was just using poker as a correlation."

"However, there will be some changes," Randle said. "First and foremost, we have to change

the way people think of us. Academically, we are a good school, but athletically we still have a long way to go.

"Our athletic image is tarnished and I want to remove that tarnish," Randle said. "So we have to do things differently. We want to create Marshall magic, but right now it ain't there."

Randle said it was time other people took blame for the athletic downfalls of Marshall. Although he did not specify whom, he said, "Losses are not all the fault of the coaches and the players. The same goes for the wins."

"Right now we are like the sisters of the poor," he said. "I guarantee that soon there will be a Marshall poster in every West Virginia high school. Look at WVU, they have posters all over. We are working night and day to remove this image we now have," Randle said. "The coaches and myself are trying to remove the tarnish. If anyone doesn't like the way I'm going about it, they better get used to it."

Meanwhile on the field, Randle's dwindling squad is in its fourth week of off-season train-

ing in preparation for spring practice which begins April 2. Over 100 players started the training session, but there are just over 60 left, according to Randle.

"We are not trying to weed anyone out or push someone to drop out," Randle said. "Those who dropped just don't want to play. I would classify my training as intense, but that's the way it is on Saturday. We want to be consistent." Most of the players who dropped out were walk-ons.

Playing a big part in the upcoming season will be the 25 recruits that Randle and his staff signed this season. He said that he is pleased with his finds and that he won't have players here who could not help the team immediately.

Ex-Marshall quarterback Reggie Oliver is the seventh and last coach to be hired by Marshall, Randle confirmed. He said Oliver has been on the staff for a number of weeks, but the athletic department has yet to release the information. Oliver will serve as offensive back coach.

New rules adopted for intramural play

By MIKE CHERRY
Sports Editor

Intramural football will start Monday and for the second year in a row, there will be drastic rule changes from the previous season.

Last year, the intramural office changed the game from standard touch football to a form of flag football previously unknown at Marshall. The revised game allowed unlimited forward passing and had no blocking or kick return plays. It met with a great deal of opposition from participants.

This season, the game will resemble a cross of the past two seasons. It will remain flag football and each team will have eight per side. However, only one pass per play will be permitted and blocking is allowed above the waist. In addition, punt plays will be run.

The team captains were the rule-makers this year, according to Intramural Director Tom Lovins. He added that he was pleased with this season's rules as well as the results of last season's play.

"Last year, we made the change to take away from the importance of the game," Lovins said. "There was a drop in injuries and threats to the officials. I think the people now realize this is intramurals, not the Super Bowl."

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Spring Festival activities planned

By SHERI SNYDER Reporter

With the approaching of spring and the mounting of spring fever, MU students will have a release April 23-28—Spring Festival Week.

"This is compared to Homecoming week, but in the spring," said Alane A. Messner, Cottageville senior and student coordinator for Spring Week.

This will be a first for MU, but Messner hopes it will become an annual event. The festival will be titled simply, "Spring Festival Week," with activities planned each day, Messner said.

Sponsored by Student Activities, the Residence Hall Government Association, Student Government and the Marshall Artists Series, the week will be packed with fun, according to Don E. Robertson, coordinator of Student Activities and Organizations.

Robertson said the schedule so far will begin on Monday with computer portraits in Memorial Student Center lobby. It will be free to all students from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. A bicycle race and documentary film "Idi Amin" at 9 p.m. will also be on Monday. The film may possibly be moved to Wednesday.

Tuesday will offer the Frisbee Pro-dise Jammers, a professional championship Frisbee team, with a demonstration and workshop from noon to 5 p.m. At 1 p.m., a baseball game is scheduled at St. Clouds Park. The Marshall Artists Series will present "Some Of My Best Friends Like Opera" in Smith Recital Hall at 8 p.m.

"Cabaret" is to be performed by the Department of Music and University Theatre, beginning Wednesday in Old Main at 8 p.m. and will run through Saturday. Victor Marchetti will talk about the CIA and exhibitions by the Fencing Club and the Tae Kwon Do Club will be on Wednesday.

Kramer, an illusionist and magician, will perform on Thursday with a workshop at 3 p.m., a mini-show at 5 p.m. in the MSC cafeteria and a show at 8 p.m. in the Multi-purpose Room.

The movie "Fist of Fury" will be shown Friday in the Multi-purpose Room. From 1 to 7 p.m. an outdoor concert is scheduled in Ritter Park with Joi, the Dixie Dreggs and Heartfield signed so far, according to Robertson.



Transfers not 'icing on cake'

Recruiting intensified

By SHERI SNYDER Reporter

In the past, transfer students were treated like "icing on a cake," said James H. Glover, assistant director of admissions. This is no longer true.

"In 1971, Marshall admitted 150 transfer students from other schools," said Glover. "In 1978,

close to 500 transfer students were admitted. This is an increase of about 400 percent."

Marshall actively recruits students from two-year community colleges in West Virginia, Kentucky and Ohio. "We go to those schools that are community colleges themselves, and not part of a four-year institution," Glover said.

The West Virginia community colleges that MU recruits from are Parkersburg Community College, Southern West Virginia, Beckley College, Greenbrier Center and West Virginia

Northern. In Kentucky, admissions talks with Ashland Community College, and in Ohio, Shawnee State.

Glover said that he tries to visit each campus at least once a year, and a few colleges more than once.

When Glover and representatives from the various individual colleges on the MU campus make a visit to a school the contact is one-to-one. "That's the big difference between talking with college students and incoming freshmen, a personal one-on-one meeting with the college students instead of a group meeting with freshmen," he said.

"We cover the whole gamut of admissions, financial aid, academic information, and housing. With one or two of the colleges we visit, we can admit the student on the spot."

Journalists to complete plans for trip

A meeting to complete plans for a bus trip to the Region 4 Convention of the Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi, will be at 3 p.m. today in Smith Hall Room 330, according to Sallye Runyon, SDX president and Huntington senior.

Runyon and SDX advisers George Arnold and Ralph Turner, associate professors of journalism, said it is important that all students planning to attend the convention be present at the meeting. The convention will be March 30-31 in Toledo, Ohio.

Miscellaneous

Human Sexuality Seminar will be today at 12:30 p.m. in Prichard Hall Room 102.

Deadline for submitting applications for the MD dance-a-thon is Monday.

"Jazz on a Summer's Day" will be shown in Memorial Student Center Multi-purpose Room today at 9 p.m.

There will be a St. Patrick's Day concert by Tim Snyder Thursday at 9 p.m. in Twin Towers West. It is free for all residence hall students.

Center seeks study group

By MARK ESSLINGER Reporter

The Campus Christian Center needs 10 juniors, seniors or graduate students to participate in a program dealing with the problems of hunger and malnutrition at both the local and international levels, according to project director Hugh B. Springer.

Participation in the program can be on a non-credit basis, but credit can be received in the Departments of Political Science, Biology or Sociology-Anthropology with the approval of the department chairman.

Springer said the program "will start locally then expand horizons from a small aspect to focus on worldwide aspects."

The program will last 30 weeks during both semesters of the 1979-80 school year. Seminars will focus on the topics of the study of Appalachian culture, nutrition science, and political and government policy aspects of food shortages. The seminars will take place every Tuesday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

The program includes field work of eight to nine hours a week in selected urban and rural areas.

Funding for the program comes from the United

Methodist Church and totals \$11,600. The money will be used to pay for student's food, travel and lodging expenses on the field trips.

Applications for the project can be picked up at the Christian Center. The deadline for applying is March 30.

Jane Moore, assistant project director, said the goal of the program is to activate a group of people with a concern for hunger and nutrition problems for future leadership in the community and interest groups.

Springer said work on the project began in 1976 with Marshall being one of 12 colleges selected for funding for the project.

A group from Marshall including Springer and Moore attended a series of meetings in Washington last week dealing with hunger and nutrition on local and international levels.

The group spoke with lobby

groups such as the Center for Concern, Bread for the World, and Rep. Nick Rahall (D-Beckley).

Moore said the group had an opportunity to exchange ideas, discuss issues and got ideas at local and advocacy levels of how groups that lobby Congress operate.

One of the topics of discussion was a reform food bill that would help a country produce their own food instead of relying solely on the United States for aid.

An international example of self aid is the New International Economic Order proposed by a group of third-world nations. The order states third-world countries now sell material cheap, and then in turn buy back finished products for a higher price.

Moore said that by producing goods themselves, the countries would be in a better position to bargain for food and develop their own food resources.

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Meetings

There will be an important meeting of Sigma Delta Chi today at 3 p.m. in Smith Hall Room 330. All members planning to attend the regional convention in Toledo March 30-31 should attend and try to bring the \$28 fee.

Park and Recreation Organization of Students will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. in Gullickson Hall Room 122.

The West Virginia Educational Media Association will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at 329 14th St. Important plans will be made for several April activities.

The International Club will meet Thursday at 3 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2E10. Plans for International Weekend will be finalized.

Greeks

Lambda Chi Alpha will be having a TGIF open to all rushees with Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority today at 9 p.m. at 1440 5th Ave.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon will have its Founder's Day Dance Saturday at the Gateway Inn on Rt. 60 East. Cocktails and awards will be given from 7-9 p.m. with the dance beginning at 9 p.m.

The Crescent Club will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Lambda Chi Alpha house.

Sigma Phi Epsilon will have a TGIF today at 8:30 p.m. for Alpha Xi Delta at the Sig Ep house.

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