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McMullen 'shocked' by dismissal

By MIKE CHERRY Sports Editor

"Shock.

Such was the reaction Joseph H. Mc-Mullen had when informed Thursday morning by MU President Robert B. Hayes that he was dismissed as athletic director. McMullen said there was no indication in the last few days that April 5 would be his last day at his post in Gullickson Hall.

"I had no reason to think it would happen," McMullen said, "Most of the time dismissals have warning. I always operated that way."

McMullen, who was hired by then MU President John Barker in February, 1971, said Hayes summoned him to his office for a 9 a.m. meeting Thursday. "I assumed it was something natural," McMullen said.

"He called me into his office at 9:15 (a.m.) and handed me a letter," McMullen said.

"He wanted me to resign. I told him there was no reason to.

"I asked him (Hayes) why, and he said he did not want to discuss the reasons now," McMullen said. "He said he would discuss them later with me. He asked me if I would resign.

"I took the letter to my wife (Margie) and we elected not to try and save face," McMullen said. "I admired (ex-MU football coach) Frank Ellwood for the same thing."

McMullen said he wrote a letter back to Hayes stating, among other things, that he believed the dismissal was unjustified and he had received no word that his work had been unsatisfactory.

"I am reluctantly leaving the program," McMullen said.

McMullen had recently been involved in a reported feud between himself and new head football coach Sonny Randle. Randle said

on Feb. 28 at the Guyan Golf and Country Club that he had five cards, two good (Hayes and the people of Huntington) and three he had to get rid of. In March, McMullen reported to the NCAA a minor rule violation of Randle's off-season conditioning program.

"Anyone looking at the scene knows why I was fired," McMullen said. "I'm a stickler for the rules; it's the only way I know. 1 believe policy and procedures should be followed.

"I'm sure he (Randle) had an effect on my being fired," McMullen said. "He communicated more with the president (Hayes) than with me. It wasn't a lack of communication on my part."

McMullen said he thought the firing was due to recent events. "I got a full raise last year," he said. "That indicates they are pleased with the job I did. It must have been a recent decision, but I am only guessing. "An athletic director as a whole is not a popular person because he has to say no a lot," McMullen continued. "If we don't have the money, we can't give it. The greedy just get greedier.

"I feel sorry that we permit certain people to get away with what they do," McMullen said. He said he did not feel it was proper to degrade anyone at a banquet the way Randle did.

"It would appear to me that he (Randle) had an ace in the hole more than we knew," McMullen said., "Maybe I didn't know about some of the communication in the Athletic Department and to the president."

McMullen said he resented one part of the press release that was distributed by University Relations concerning his dismissal. The section McMullen said he disliked was a quote from Hayes which read: "In our search for a new athletic director, we will be looking for an individual who can provide us with a program which includes strict adherence to NCAA and SC (Southern Conference) regulations, ...

"It is a reference that I highly resent," McMullen said. He said he was a "stickler" for the rules and the only problems he had during his stay here were with the budget.

McMullen said that despite his sudden dismissal, he has no animosity toward anyone at Marshall. "I have never been a person to resent anyone," he said. "I was very upset today and I felt the dismissal was unfair.

"I believe in working through the system," McMullen said. "I wonder if we get enough -credit for our accomplishments."

When McMullen arrived at Marshall from the head coaching position at San Jose State in California, he adopted an athletic

program that was on NCAA probation and was recovering from the disastrous plane crash that dissipated the Herd football team two-and-a-half years before.

"It was a big challenge when I came here," McMullen said. "We've enjoyed most of it, although not so much today (Thursday).

"I think we brought the program from non-credibility to credibility," McMullen said. Marshall was dropped from the Mid-American Conference in 1969, but Mc-Mullen was instrumental in MU again retaining conference statue when Marshall was accepted into the Southern Conference

in 1976 McMullen also helped initiate the founding of plans for the proposed multi-purpose facility, which will house the athletic department and basketball team when completed. The athletic budget tripled during his stay here. (see "McMullen, page 2)



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Concern expressed for future **Firing surprises staff**

By JEFF ANDERSON Interchange Editor

A basic concern for the future coupled with a feeling of surprise was the general reaction of athletic department coaches concerning Thursday's firing of Athletic Director Joseph H. McMullen.

All of the coaches interviewed expressed some concern for the future status of what can be described as "non-revenue" or "minor" sports, and most were surprised by the actions of President Robert B. Hayes. McMullen, who came to Marshall shortly after the airplane disaster of 1970, was given credit for building many of the "minor" sports into respectable programs.

Swimming coach Bob Saunders gave McMullen credit for helping establish the swimming program, which has captured back-to-back Southern Conference championships.

"His confidence played an important role in our program's success." Saunders said. "I am personally disappointed. I know that he helped establish several of the non-revenue sports and change them into respectable programs.'

Saunders said that he was surprised by the move, but added that he had heard rumors for some time concerning McMullen's firing.

Saunders, like many of the other coaches, expressed a concern for the future of his program. "After a while, you learn how to work with someone. It is hard for an administrator to be totally liked by everyone, but I developed a good working relationship with McMullen.

"I am looking toward the future with a degree of apprehension," Saunders said. "You never know until the new director arrives what kind of program you are going to have under him. Hopefully, the new man will want to have a well-rounded program, and not just emphasize basketball and football. He (McMullen) helped Marshall University swimming."

"His confidence played an important role in our program's. success. I am personally disappointed."-Bob Saunders. swimming coach.

Head track and cross country coach Rod O'Donnell echoed many of Saunders' narks. O'Donnell also said he was totally unprepared for the statement. "It was the last thing on my mind," O'Donnell said. "I was totally unprepared for the action.

O'Donnell also expressed significant concern for the future of the track programs. "You can throw everything in the past out because now all that matters is the future. I have to be concerned with the new person's philosophy, as he will set the tone as to how our sports are treated.

"Hopefully, the new man will give attention to the non-revenue sports as well as basketball and football. The future is in the hands of the new man," O'Donnell said.

Tennis coach Bill Carroll also emphasized the importance of non-revenue sports towards the overall sports program at Marshall.

"It doesn't do any good to throw all of your money into basketball and football if you are going to get the hell beat out of you in everything else," Carroll said. "To be competitive in the Southern Conference, you have to be competitive in the spring sports. This conference is not known for great football and basketball-teams.

"If Marshall is going to continue being competitive in the conference, then we are going to have to continue to receive help for the non-revenue sports," he said. "I know that coaches like O'Donnell and Saunders and Cook have to work under terrible conditions, and they still have winners. This



Former Athletic Director

Carroll also said he wasn't too surprised by the firing. "I wasn't really surprised. Whenever a coach comes out and says that major changes have to be made, and no one comes out and contradicts him, then it is obvious that something is going to happen." Baseball coach Jack Cook again expressed surprise in reaction to the firing. Cook also acknowledged the importance of McMullen in the foundation of a successful

baseball program at MU. "I am surprised at the action, but then again I knew there were troubles between McMullen and some of the other staffs. I really didn't know everything that was going on, but I think everyone knew there were differences between McMullen and the basketball and football staffs." Cook said that he expects no immediate

Landslide victory won by Hamrick

By CINDY MARTIN Staff Writer

Ed Hamrick and Brian Angle were elected president and vice president of MU's student body Thursday by more than a 2-to-1 margin in the largest voting turnout ever produced by a Marshall Student Government election. Hamrick, Clendenin senior, won his

887 of the 1,568 total votes cast. John Rulli, Long Island, senior, and his running mate, Rick Smith, Freeman graduate student, received 416 votes to finish

second. Paul Hormick, Bridgeport junior, whose running mate was a Sears, two-hole toaster (although the toaster was not offically listed on the ballot) received 240 votes; while Kenneth Wright, Bancroft junior, and Daniel Huston, Huntington junior, received 16 votes.

Six student senators were also elected to one-year terms. In the residence hall constituency, Brian Kappler, Wheeling freshman, received 362 votes to fill that caucus's only opening.

In the transient caucus, three Huntington residents were chosen as representatives.

people who helped me during the long, hard campaign. Without those efforts, a victory would not have been possible," Hamrick added.

Angle, Huntington sophomore, said, "1 thought we'd win, but I was nervous, especially about the vote in the residence halls. I was hoping for a large win, but this margin pleasantly surprised me.

"I never really thought we'd lose, but I was really worried when our opponents' posters kept going up while ours' kept coming down early in the week," he added."

He said he believes the Hamrick-Angle



second term as student body president with

"I stay out of the mainstream of gossip," Saunders said. "I have only heard rumors around the Marshall campus concerning the matter. I only know that he was always fair to me and he heard me out on several occasions. I didn't always get everything I wanted, but he was always fair to me and at least gave me a chance to speak my mind."

"McMullen's position is a superimportant job. He is the man who calls the shots."

is definitely a spring sports conference.

Carroll also expressed some disappointment in the firing of McMullen. "It is unfortunate when anyone gets fired from a job," Carroll said. "Considering the difficulty of his job, I don't think anyone can say that he was acting in anything but the best interest of Marshall University."

(see 'Firing,' page 2)

Hayes cites dissatisfaction but gives 'Falling short' no specific reasons for termination

By JODY JIVIDEN Editor and **DIANE SLAUGHTER** Staff Writer

No specific reasons were given by Marshall's administration for Thursday's dismissal of Athletic Director Joseph H. McMullen, whose duties as AD were immediately terminated.

A prepared statement from MU President Robert B. Hayes said Athletic Department staff members had "been falling short" in three areas: being aware of the department's goals, communicating among themselves, and failing to do their utmost to solve problems that prohibit the efficient, harmonious accomplishment of goals.

The document said correction of these shortcomings is "so essential in reaching our objectives that a change is dictated.

"We are making the change at this point to permit adequate time for review of our needs and for the recruitment of the next director," according to the statement. "Perhaps this review and this change of leadership will prove to be beneficial at this point."

Hayes and Dr. Olen E. Jones, Jr., executive vice president, were not available to further explain the reasons.

A search for a new director will be initiated soon, the release stated.

Assistant Athletic Director Edward M. Starling, who's serving as interim AD, said he was "shocked" by the move.

"Today was a complete surprise to me," he said. "I had no idea any action like this was anticipated. I had no idea this would happen. I got back from a meeting about 10:30 this morning (Thursday) and that was when I heard about it for the first time. I did not know anything about it before then."

Starling, who also served as interim AD after Charles E. Kautz died in the Nov. 14, 1970, airplane crash that virtually wiped out

involved on part of the freshmen involved.

Committee meeting will be April 18.

The next Student Conduct and Welfare

MU's football team, said he is available for the job created by McMullen's firing.

"I don't know if I will get the job," he said. "That decision will have to be made by the selection committee and President Hayes. We'll just have to wait and see."

Starling said he did not know what caused the firing.

(see 'Falling,' page 2)



Coldness prevails

The cold continues. The National Weather Service predicts a high of 45 today, lowering to the 20s by tonight. There is a 30 percent chance of rain today, with skies clearing this afternoon.

Campus residents may be victims of food poisoning

By JIM WILBURN

Reporter Some campus residents became ill early Thursday morning, apparently due to food they consumed at dinner Wednesday even-

ing in Twin Towers Cafeteria. Of 30 students interviewed, 26 who ate

chicken a la king suffered from nausea and diarrhea afterwards.

John Spotts, cafeteria manager, said the complaints may be valid. Spotts said if a cream sauce used on the chicken is left out too long, it could spoil.

cafeteria to keep samples of the food they serve to students so, if it becomes necessary. bacteria and disease can be traced. Spotts said.

No such sample was saved Wednesday, according to Spotts. He added cafeteria personnel had been lax in doing this.

Spotts said although the food possibly did spoil, such an occurrence would never happen again.

A TTE resident, who asked not to be identified, said he was up most of the night with severe stomach cramps and diarrhea which caused him to miss classes Thursday morning

Dr. Albert G. Moat, professor of microbiology, said the illness could have been the result of food poisoning. He said the period of incubation is usually four to eight hours after injesting a toxin, and the attack lasts several hours.

Moat said, "it (the students' illness) is obviously a food poison due to a bacterial toxin."

Marc Williams and Andrea Baker. freshmen, and Gary Koontz, junior, received the highest vote totals of 159, 141, and 113, respectively Winners in the off-campus constituency

are Kippy. Fisher, South Charleston, sophomore(176 votes); and Richard "Mark" Odekirk, South Point, Ohio, junior (118). Hamrick, whose platform stressed such issues as freshmen residence halls and the campus cafeteria system, said, "Today's election was not just a victory for Ed Hamrick. Instead, it was a victory for the students of Marshall University."

Hamrick said during last year's campaign, "it was everyone (the candidates) running for themselves. This year it was everyone running against Ed Hamrick." He described this year's campaign as more difficult due to the added burden of carrying out the duties of his office while trying to retain that office at the same time.

Hamrick said he was never more than "cautiously optimistic" about winning the election throughout the campaign.

"I'd like to thank all those students who supported me. I'd also like to thank all those **Ed Hamrick** The Winner

campaign was successful, "because we used a more personal approach than our opponents, who used more elements of mass media. We went door-to-door in at least four residence halls, and we approached most of the large campus organizations."

Angle said the campaign was "more physical than I expected."

Angle said he believes he and Hamrick "never could have won without our supporters, and we had so many people who did support us."

He added that he is glad the campaign is over, "but it was worth it. I cannot think of anytime I have ever been happier."

Elevator vandalized; damage costs \$1,000

By KATHY CURKENDALL

Reporter The worst residence hall vandalism of this year occurred 11 p.m. Tuesday as the doors of South Hall's west elevator were kicked in causing \$1,000 damage, according to Housing Director Ray Welty.

The vandal forced open the doors of the west elevator on South's fourth floor, said Welty. "As the elevator began to move to other floors in the residence hall, it jammed between floors leaving the doors hanging diagonally from their tracks," Welty said.

"The estimated damage to the elevator and doors will cost \$1,000 to have repaired," he said.

An anonymous tip was given to the residence adviser of South Hall's fourth floor, Dave Lawhon, which lead to a possible suspect, said Nick Maddox, residence director of South Hall. "The individual, if found guilty will have to pay for the repairs on the elevator," Maddox disclosed.

"Vandalism has never been this terrible in the 12 years I've worked here," stated a custodian on the fourth floor of South Hall. "I wish you could have seen these walls before they were cleaned. Before spring break, butter and jelly were thrown all over the walls. It's just terrible.'

"Vandalism on this floor is the same as other floors," said Lou, a resident of South's fourth floor. "Some people come from other floors and write things on our walls. We get blamed for it.'

South Hall is not the only residence hall with vandalism problems, according to Mike Santoro, resident director of Twin Towers East. "Towers East has more vandalism problems than any of the residence halls, and elevators are the objects most abused by vandals," he said. Liz Zavodny, resident director of Twin Towers West, stated, "Vandalism is fairly steady and constant in Towers West. Students' money is being eaten up by vandalism problems."

"Vandalism is an avoidable thing," said Welty. "We've got to try to convince people it's a waste of money, and how can you convince people of that? I'm open to suggestion."

"While our repairmen are busy fixing things that have been vandalized," he said, "students complain because things are broken and need to be fixed." He also stated that if people would report vandals, vandalism could be dealt with properly.

Policy to be added to handbook and committee chairman, said the appeal, clarification as to how many floors are

By PAM THOMPSON Reporter

A new policy for next year's Marshall Student Handbook, a decision of the Student Court, and the proposed all freshmen residence halls were discussed by the Student Conduct and Welfare Committee Wednesday.

The new policy to be added to the student handbook was approved as read by the committee. The policy deals with campus demonstrations and mass crowd gatherings, and posting information, handbills and fliers on campus. A suggestion to write and include a section regarding use of the kiosk was also approved by the committee.

The new policy was developed by the Student Affairs Office. Mary Ann Thomas, associate dean of student life, said topics included in the policy consisted mostly of formerly unwritten rules which needed to be clarified for students.

In further action, the committee decided it could not hear an appeal of a ruling made earlier Wednesday by the Student Court.

Dr. Joseph M. Stone, professor of finance

presidential candidates Darrell Samples and Alane Messner, would have to follow the regular appeals process channel stated in the Student Government Constitution.

made by former presidential and vice-

Stone said the candidates should follow the decision made by the Student Courtand first appear before the Election Commission.

Samples and Messner did appeal the decision successfully before withdrawing from the election.

Representatives from the Residence Hall Government Association appeared at the meeting to ask the committee members to recommend the Student Affairs Office reconsider its decision to have all freshmen residence hall floors next year.

Thomas said all freshmen floors were proposed only as "experimental" and may not become permanent. She said MU should try all freshmen floors before any decision made saying they would not work.

The committee made no decision regarding all freshmen floors and asked for more accurate information from the Student Affairs Office. The committee asked for

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AD announcement conducted poorly

that riveted through Marshall's student body Thursday after university President Robert B. Hayes announced that Athletic Director Joseph H. McMullen had been fired have not yet settled enough to allow anyone to gain a proper perspective on the incident, one undisputable observation has emerged from the affair.

The manner in which Hayes conducted the announcement was insufficient at best.

Two meager press releases followed McMullen's stunning firing. The reasons supplied for the almost-completely unexpected action were vague and confusing. They hinted at several things — namely, the inability of McMullen to function harmoniously with other Athletic Department staff members — but pinpointed nothing.

Hayes was then unavailable for comment during the rest of the day.

Therefore, anyone interested in the action can only speculate as to what the actual catalyst of the episode was. And when people rely on their imagination to decipher moves as significant and emotion-packed as this one, the contrived explanations are almost always infinitely more fantastic ---and inaccurate — than the true reasons.

Hayes may eventually disclose exactly why he dismissed McMullen, but by then it could be too late to eliminate the more melodramatic reasons that many people will have learned to accept as truth. Once an idea — in much the same manner as prejudice is engrained in a person's mind, it is virtually impossible to remove or alter. Rumors that could be damaging to the very Athletic Department that the administration is trying to improve could become accepted as fact if misconceptions such as these are not quashed quickly.

Therefore, it would have been better for

Although the cataclysmic shock waves the entire community had Hayes been more specific in his explanation.

> Admittedly, Hayes would have been inundated with many unnecessary telephone calls had he simply released the news via University Relations and sat at home waiting for reporters and alumni to make their inquiries.

> Had an ordinary press conference been arranged, this confusing, frustrating situation would probably never have occurred.

To allow Hayes to sufficiently prepare himself for the onslaught of questions he would doubtlessly have received at such a conference, the announcement may have been delayed for a few hours. But it would have been worth that trouble and more if the awkward position that interested parties are now forced to live with could have been avoided

Even if a press conference had been called, it is doubtful that all the reasons behind the firing would have been made public. However, competent reporters could probably have discovered more information about the matter than is presently available.

And if more facts were available, many people — including influential alumni who are fond of the Big Green Scholarship Fund - would be significantly less disturbed than they are now.

Besides, fans as tenaciously loyal as Marshall's deserve to know a substantial amount of the reasoning behind a move that will disrupt the Athletic Department as much as this one will.

If the murk isn't cleared soon, the hole Marshall's athletic program is allegedly in will become deeper.

And, the new athletic director wouldn't appreciate having to climb out of any deeper a chasm than the one that is already supposed to exist.(jlj)

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Off-campus news

Dynamite load explodes

KEYSTONE -- A truck loadblew up Thursday near here, sending 13 people to the hospital, destroying four homes and damaging several others, authorities said.

No fatalities were reported. Five of the 13 people treated at Stevens Clinic Hospital were admitted, according to Nursing Supervisor P. Polascik. Among those admitted was the driver of the truck, Rick Compton, 24, of Montcalm, who leaped from the truck before it exploded.

"He seems to be in satisfactory condition," said Lana Kibbey, assistant director of nurses at Stevens Clinic Hospital,

Police said they faced a 'dangerous situation' for a few hours before they retrieved blasting caps that spilled from the The truck was carrying truck. 500 blasting caps, officials said.

Some of the houses "had their Other witnesses said the truck ed with 1,000 pounds of dynamite roofs blown off," according to hit a telephone pole before ex-Art Sanda, a spokesman for ploding. The explosions occurred near a Eastern Associated Coal Co. narrow, winding section of U.S. 52 between Northfork and which has a mine near the site of the explosion.

to the road.

crashed.

said

Keystone Fire Chief Kenny Dowell said he saw the truck catch fire as it moved through Keystone, located near the Virginia border in the extreme southern part of West Virginia. Dowell said he ran to the

firehouse where he sounded an alarm, hopped into a fire truck and drove after the burning truck. Dowell said that as he The truck, which belonged to Austin Powder Co. of Mount rounded a corner, he saw the truck explode about 300 yards away.

"People were stumbling around in their yards confused...hysterical...and all really badly bleeding," Dowell said.

After the blast, little was left of the truck

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"When I arrived here, there were basic facilities for only two sports (basketball and football)," excellent training programs. We have broadened the program.

"I was greatly looking forward to the ground-breaking (of the multi-purpose facility May 5)," he said. "I would have liked to have been a part of it."

As for his future, McMullen said he is uncertain. "I have not (continued from page 1) had much time to think about it today," he said.

Hayes announced that Mc-Mullen would not be re-hired after the current fiscal year, which ends June 30. He said McMullen would be assigned other duties by his office. Assistant Athletic Director Ed Starling will acquire McMullen's duties until a permanent replacement is found.

McMullen said. "I'd prefer to knew there were differences stay in athletics, but I am between McMullen and the qualified to do other things.

Falling short

(continued from page 1) He said he will be working "in and out" of McMullen's present office.

"Right now, though, I will be working out of my own office," Starling said.

said. "As for coaching, I do not collegiate head football coach for think so. Not even Ray Meyer

McMullen said. "We now have (DePaul's 65-year-old basketball coach) has inspired me to go back into coaching."

"I'm sure other schools are Prior to his eight-year reign lt six years, serving head coaches looking for athletic directors," he Marshall, McMullen served as a Rip Engle and Joe Paterno.

A police officer at the scene

"It just disappeared in the air,

said Compton apparently

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said Sgt. Kenneth Whitenac of

the Keystone Police Department.

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delivery to the McDowell Coal

doors were blown out up to a half

mile away in Northfork, a witness

Windows were shattered and

He graduated from Brown 12 years at Stetson, Washington University in Providence, R.I., and Jefferson, Akron and San and received a master's from Jose State. He also was an Westminster (New Wilmington, assistant coach at Penn State for Pa.).

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NCAA about the football team

Truckers threatening **Detroit** paralyzation

WASHINGTON — The bargainers back to negotiations Teamsters union and trucking Thursday for the first time since WASHINGTON industry returned to the bargaining table Thursday in search of an the old contract expired agreement to end a five-day shutdown that threatens to paralyze the auto industry. As a lockout of striking Teamsters by major trucking Keystone where houses sit close

economy

Federal

expect either side to bargain in firms triggered new production earnest for at least several days. cutbacks for automakers in Instead, the sources said, the Detroit, the rest of the economy union and industry appear locked remained relatively untouched by in a "test of strength" to see which side may break first in what has the dispute over a new three-year contract for 300,000 drivers and been called an unprecedented warehouse operators.

trucking labor dispute. But the Carter administration The industry has never says the longest trucking shutmounted a successful lockout down in U.S. history could before and the union has never produce shortage of food and struck nationwide for more than other products by the end of next three days week. As a result, government Meanwhile, the dispute has officials said they remained poiscrippled much of the auto industry, and Chrysler Corp. said it ed to seek a court-ordered end to the labor dispute should the would stop "virtually all" U.S. shutdown begin to strangle the

manufacturing Monday. "It couldn't have come at a worse time," Lee A. Iacocca, mediators called Teamsters President Frank Fitzpresident of the No. 3 automaker, simmons and chief industry said on Wednesday. "They've got to get back to negotiating."

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far apart on economic terms for a

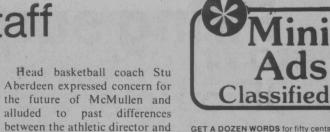
the situation said they did not

new agreement, sources close to

Although the two sides are not

A complete shutdown by Chrysler would mean the closing of 41 plants in six states and the layoff of 85,000 production workers.

Industrywide, more than 140,-000 auto workers were either on layoff or placed on short shifts because of the trucking shutdown, which has choked off normal delivery of parts to some 30 plants.



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Baseball coach Jack Cook

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the document stated. "We have made gains on several fronts but we still have not obtained the results we desire and expect."

The release said the dismissal was not "precipitated" by Mc-Mullen acknowledging the

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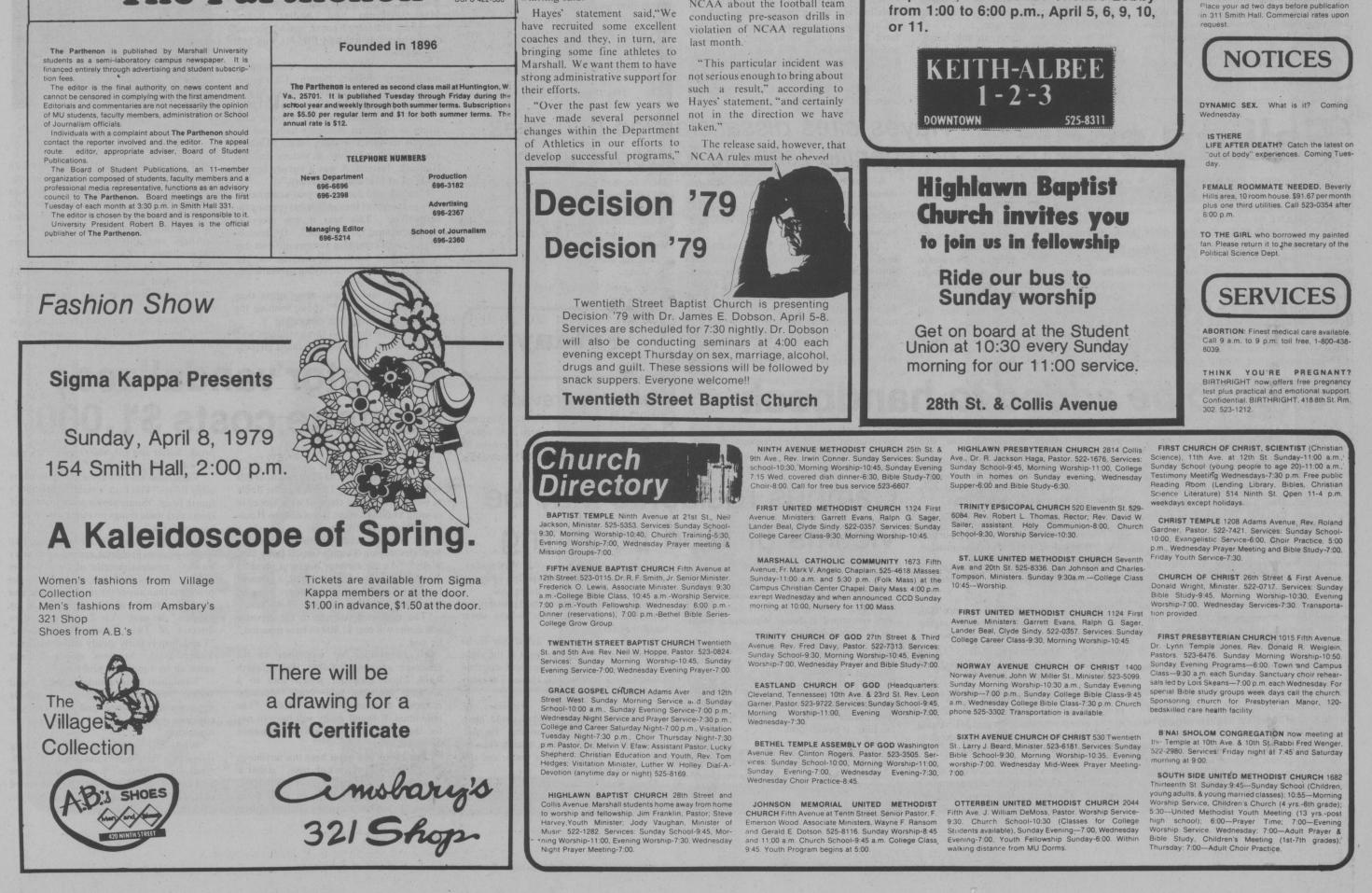
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Play ball Team faces two SC foes

By MIKE CHERRY Sports Editor

tant.

conference champs are nil." That's the terminology baseball coach Jack Cook is using to describe the trip his team Conference last season (with an season. I think the winner will will make to the South. The importance of the trip lies in the season the Herd is currently tied with four or five losses." In the fact that the Herd will meet two for sixth place with a 2-2 league SC, each team plays a double Southern Conference rivals in mark. Both East Tennessee (4-1) round-robin against all other doubleheaders this weekend: in front of MU. Appalachian State in Boone, N.C., Saturday and East

Tennessee State in Johnson City, Tenn., on Monday. "This is probably the most Valley Conference and Ap- recent damp weather. The Herd important weekend of baseball palachian was runner-up to has played but two games in the we will play this season," Cook said. "These are four games 15, Marshall bumped off then-

against two of the top teams in undefeated-in-conference Ap- far as fielding and running are the conference. We have to come palachian twice in Huntington to Vital, essential, even impor- out of these games with at least a claim first place.

split or our chances of being "If we win three or four, it will be in our favor," Cook said. Marshall won the Southern "This is a very even league this 11-1 record). However, this probably come out of the season and Appalachian State (3-2) are league opponents, (16 games in all).

Both of the Herd's opponents Cook said he is concerned did well last season, East about the lack of work that his Tennessee winning the Ohio team has had of late due to the Marshall. Last season on April past 15 days. "I think we will be all right as the trip.

concerned," Cook said. "The thing I am concerned about is the hitting. I hope we can retain the hitting and the timing."

Marshall will take eight pitchers on the trip. Cook said he will not hesitate to use starters as relief pitchers if necessary to win a game. Cook said the team will try to win each game at all costs. The Herd, 9-7 on the season

and on a six-game win streak, is healthy with two exceptions: starting leftfielder John Wilson and pitcher Jim Tatterson. Wilson has a groin pull and Tatterson has problems with both of his ankles. Both will make

athletics so it was natural to play

sports." Kincaid's father was a

football player (offensive guard)

"I am looking forward to

playing there (Marshall)," Kin-

caid said. "The (Memorial) field

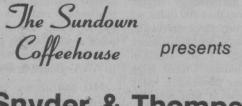
house was a nice place and that

new building should be

program on the move."

Marshall is a

at Tennessee from 1953-56.





Recruit and Stu old friends By MIKE CHERRY Kincaid starred at shots coming from 25 feet or have always grown up around

Sports Editor

Basketball recruit Barry Kincaid and MU basketball coach Stu Aberdeen go back a long way.

The 6-5, 205-pound wing player from Speedwell, Tenn., Thursday became the third player to sign an institutional letter-ofintent with Aberdeen this season. He followed the footsteps of Huntington High senior David Wade and University of Baylor

transfer Mike Fennell. 'I've known Stu a long time,"

Kincaid said. "I really like him. I have been going to his camp since I was 12 (he is 17 now). I chose this school over a lot of others."

Marshall battled successfully The first road meet of the with other major college basketseason confronts Marshall's ball programs for four years of Women's Track team tomorrow. Kincaid. Among those that lost Coach Arlene Stooke's team, the battle were the University of emerging from Saturday's last Tennessee, North Carolina at minute first victory over Charlotte, the University of Morehead State, will journey to Mississippi and Auburn. Kincaid Columbus, Ohio, to compete in said his final three choices were the nine-team Ohio State In-Marshall, Tennessee and Middle vitational. Tennesee. Stooke said tomorrow's meet

"I like the running style that will feature a higher level of Marshall plays," Kincaid said. competition, the toughest her "It is not a slow offense, like at team has faced this season. Tennessee. I really like Marshall. The people are friendly and there how much we have improved a lot of hills and mountains. It individually from last week to feels like home."

this week," Stooke commented. Home is Speedwell, where Stooke said the win in Satur-Powell Valley High School is day's triangular meet over rivals

located. Powell Valley for three years, more away. averaging 26 points per game in Kincaid said he plans on majoring in business, but has his junior and senior years. He was first team all-state this season hopes of playing pro basketball if the opportunity presents itself. as he led Powell Valley to the

Reporter

"For us, it is more of an idea of

final game of the Tennessee single Aberdeen plans on using Kincaid as a backup to next year's starting A championship. right wing James Campbell, who "Shooting is definitely my is the Herd's other Tennessee

strongest area," he said. He native. added he shot 52 percent this "I started playing when I was in something. season, with a majority of the sixth grade," Kincaid said. "I

Nine-team meet faces Green Gals

Women go on road **By VICKI DEAN**

morale. "I already saw a positive effect injury.

in practice," the fourth year coach said. "The team members really went hard at practice Mon-

"The girls are proud of their accomplishments and believe in what they can do. They're willing to work harder to improve themselves."

Teams competing in the meet are Ohio State University, Bowling Green State University, Eastern Michigan University, the University of Kentucky, Morehead State University, the University of Michigan, Robert Morris College and Western Kentucky University.

Donna Nutter, Charleston sophomore and last year's award

season due to a persistent hip

Stooke said Nutter was feeling well and overdid it Monday in practice and is a questionable performer once again Saturday.

Stooke said Nutter's absence has hurt the team this year as "Donna was a consistent scorer for us in the 100-meter hurdles and 880-yard run last year."

Nutter holds school records in 880-yard and 800-meter runs, and the 110- and 400-meter hurdles, as well as the 110-yard hurdles. Nutter is also a member of the record-holding mile, two-mile and 1,600-meter relay teams.

Nutter's competition this year has been limited to the mile relay team



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Morehead. Maher won his singles match 6-4, 6-4, but Marshall was defeated 8-1, bringing its record to 3-5. Herd competes

Mark Maher, Ceredo freshman, concentrates on a

forehand shot during Thursday's match against

in Ohio Relays The 18-team Ohio University Relays Friday and Saturday will of 55'8" in the shot put last week be an excellent quality meet, against Morehead.

according to track coach Rod O'Donnell. The top teams for the non-

Winning style

scored meet are expected to be basically on distance runners," he Ohio State, Western Michigan, said. Eastern Michigan and Ohio University

Marshall's top events should be the shot put, the discus, the distance medley, the sprint medley, the 5,000- and 10,000meter runs, the 1,500-meter run and the steeplechase, according to O'Donnell.

In Friday's 10,000-meter run Marshall has entered Kim Nutter, Parkersburg junior, Jerry_ Dotson, Belle senior, and Dave Henry, Fairfield freshman. It will be the first time this season Marshall has competed in the

10,000. Nutter and Dotson will also be competing in the 5,000meter run on Saturday. from last year. Damon Clark, Wheeling For the Buckeyes, Slane has senior, will be competing in the vaulted 16'6", Mummi has a steeplechase, and John Dotson, personal best in the shot put of Belle junior, will be running in the 57", Sims has triple jumped 51'3", 1,500-meter.

Cebula set a new school record O'Donnell said this year's team

Photo by SCOTT BARTON

has more balance than last year's. "This year we don't have to rely "We have good middle distance men, and we have improved in all the field events."

Top competitors from other schools are Marc Hunter of Cleveland State, Gene Divney of Kent State, Jeff Zystra of Western Michigan, and Brian Slane, Kevin Mummi, Tony Sims, Dan Oliver and Steve. Crane of Ohio State.

Hunter is an all-American in a cross country and will be competing in the world cross country championship meet later this month

shot putter from Ireland. Zystra is the Mid-Ame

Divney is a 6'5", 280-pound

in Colonial Classic Marshall's men's golf team will travel to Richmond, Va., to compete in the Colonial Collegiate Classic Saturday and Sunday and will be back at Hurricane Monday to participate in the West Virginia State Intercollegiate.

and Ross Scaggs, Logan senior.

Golfers to tee off

Players making the trip to Richmond are Matt Cooke, Beckley freshman; Danny Warren, Beckley sophomore; John Gagai.

Ironton, Ohio, sophomore; Greg Meade, Chapmanville freshman;

Golf Course, will be a 54-hole tournament. Teams will play 36

The Colonial Classic, which is at Eastern Kentucky's Arlington

Morehead State and WVU has recipient as"Track Woman of the had a positive effect on her team's Year," has seen limited action this

Marshall has Rudy Cebula, hurdles with a personal best of Weirton freshman, and Joe 13.7 seconds, and Crane is a 13:54 -Johns. Columbus, Ohio, senior. 5,000-meter man.

conference's top distance runner

Oliver is the defending Big 10 In the shot put and discus champion in the 110-meter high

holes on Saturday and 18 on Sunday. The field of 20 teams will compete.

Marshall will field three teams in the State Intercollegiate at Sleepy Hollow Golf Course, according to Feaganes. They are a

freshman green team, a sophomore white team and an upper-class gold team.

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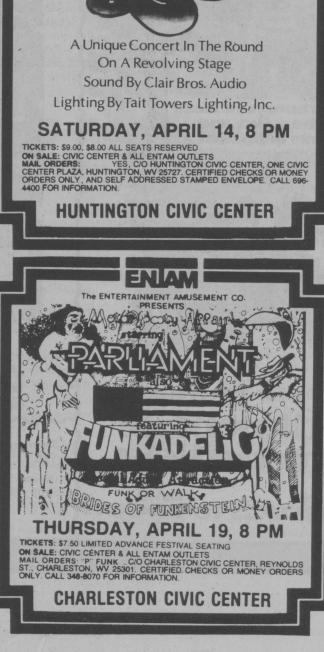
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The slide show will present workshops will be conducted to examples of design and discuss interviewing techniques, photography from yearbooks photography, yearbooks, adveracross the country to more than tising, printing, censorship, 400 high school student jour- relating to the public, graphics, nalists and teachers expected to broadcasting and in-depth reporattend from West Virginia, ting. eastern Kentucky and Former and present student southeastern Ohio.

Presented by Robert J. newspaper, The Parthenon, also Berschback, Josten's American will conduct a workshop session Yearbook Co. representative to discuss editing a college from Michigan, "Super Show newspaper. VI" has been in demand at On Saturday, morning coffee workshops throughout the coun- will be provided from 8 to 8:45 try.

Berschback's presentation will journalism faculty and other be given during an awards guests. A general assembly will luncheon Saturday. More than follow in Old Main to explain the

87 awards in 18 categories will be day's activities. Workshops will given to high school newspaper, be conducted from 9:25 to 11:35 Meetings

After the workshops, three business sessions in yearbook, newspaper and broadcasting will be conducted from 11:45 to 12:45 MU instructors - representing

by elected high school student all five journalism sequences will officers. Each high school will be conduct workshops. Eleven represented by voting delegates.

Rehabilitation workshop to be held Saturday

MU's chapter of the National Rehabilitation Association will sponsor a workshop Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Harris Hall Room 357. The theme will be "Share-Getting it Together."

The workshop will begin with group experiences to get people acquainted with each other, according to Dr. William A. McDowell, associate professor of counseling and rehabilitation. Then former National Rehabilitation Association president

Cornelius Williams will speak on national direction and goals for handicapped people, McDowell said. McDowell will speak about the local student chapter of the

National Rehabilitation Association and its directions and goals. The workshop will also be having small group participation and a film, McDowell said.

Student Center Room 2E10. Geological Society will meet

Sigma Kappa sorority and

go to Green Acres. Sigma Kappa sorority will have a Rush Awareness program

at the house at 9 p.m.

Anpha Chi Omega sorority will have a Spring Formal today at 9 p.m. at Glenbrier Country Club. All Chi guys and their dates are invited. Cost is \$5 per couple.

Delta Zeta sorority is having a soccer tournament today, Satur- a release form and provide copy girl's gym. All fraternities will be participating. Friday's games are Tau Kappa Epsilon at 5 p.m.; and Alpha at 6 p.m.

Sigma Kappa will present its Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity will Iranian Students Association sell Tootsie Rolls for the Knights spring fashion show,"A will meet today in Memorial of Columbus Saturday, Sunday Kaleidoscope of Spring" Sunday and Monday. All proceeds will at 2 p.m. in Smith Hall Room 154.

Miscellaneous

ROTC cadet battalion will be collecting glass Saturday from 8 Monday. All sisters are to meet a.m. to noon. The money will be used for a military ball. Gullickson Hall Room 218. If need pick up, call 696-6450.

> Those organizations who had their pictures taken for the 1979 Chief Justice should come to the office and list the names of the persons in the photographs, sign "superb."

day and Sunday in front of the for the book by Wednesday.

"The Living Dead" and "Is Lambda Chi Alpha vs Alpha Tau There Life after Life?" will be the Omega at 4 p.m.; Kappa Alpha vs topics of Rusty Wright, national student lecturer and author of Sigma Tau Epsilon vs Phi Kappa two books, Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Alpha Xi Delta house.

Broadcaster to visit campus next week

By SHERRY MITCHELL Reporter

by the Marshall University Foun-Robert L. Rierson, vice presi- dation Inc. The free sessions are dent of Program Syndication open to the public, according to Services Inc. will be on campus Robert Junas, assistant professor Monday and Tuesday as, of journalism. "broadcaster-in-residence."

The program is being sponclude "Emerging Technology in sored by the Department of Broadcasting" in Smith Hall Donations can be brought to Speech and Alpha Epsilon Rho, Room 154 at 9 a.m.; "Public national broadcasting honorary

his reputation in this field is

Reirson is responsible for

seeking, obtaining, producing

and selling television program-

ming for national syndication.

perspectives from them.

Impact Pressure Groups and Ceilia Kitchen, AER member Regulatory Change" in Smith and student manager of WMUL-Hall Room 264 at 11 a.m.; FM, said Reirson believes the job "Program Scheduling" in Studio market for broadcasters is in syndication. According to her,

B, Communications Building at 1 p.m.; and "Career Planning and Opportunities in the Media" in Smith Hall Room 154 at 3 p.m.

The program is being funded

Monday's program will in-

Tuesday's schedule is "Writing and Production of Broadcast Kitchen said professionals are Programming" in Studio B at being brought to Marshall so 9:30 a.m.; and a Coke party and students can learn different gab session in Smith Hall Room 269 at 2 p.m.



Monday at noon in Science Building Room 519. Greeks