

**Morehead State University
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Department or Office: Athletics Department

Collection Title: Scrapbooks, 1974-1979

Record Group Number: RG025-23-03

Date transferred: No date of transfer recorded.

Processed by: Dieter C. Ullrich

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Date Listed: March 22, 2023

Date Span: 1974-1979

Size of Collection: 2.5 linear feet.

Number of Boxes: 1 oversize newspaper case

Type of Material: Scrapbooks.

Condition of Material: Good. Dried adhesive has caused some newspaper clippings and photographs to become detached from the scrapbook.

Arrangement: Organized by size of material: Chronological arrangement.

Historical Information: On February 5, 1974, Morehead State University basketball coach Bill Harrell did not include six of the team's best players for a road game to Illinois State University. Haarrell claimed he wished to rest the players for conference games in an upcoming tournament. The athletic director of Illinois State, Milt Weisbecker, was not pleased with Herrell's decision and sought compensation for ticket holders who paid to see a competitive game. The story received national press coverage and led to the resignation of Coach Harrell and his assistant Jack Black several days later. The 1979 Morehead State University baseball team, managed by Steve Hamilton, had a successful season, and led the Ohio Valley Conference with 14 wins.

Scope and Content: Collection consists of two scrapbooks believed to have been created by an employee of the Athletic Department of Morehead State University from 1974 to 1979. The first scrapbook consists of newspaper clippings of a controversial event that occurred in February of 1974 when Morehead State basketball coach Bill Harrell did include his best six players in an away game against Illinois State University. It later became known as the "Missing Six Affair."

The other scrapbook consists of newspaper clippings, photographs and ephemera related to the successful 1979 season of the Morehead State baseball team.

Subject Headings / Descriptors:

Herrall, William D.

Hamilton, Steven Absher, 1934-1997.

Morehead State University. Office of Athletics.

Morehead State University – Basketball.

Morehead State University – Baseball.

Morehead State University – History.

Notes: The scrapbooks were found in the University Archives storage room in 2015 and later processed in March of 2023. Detached newspaper clippings and photographs were placed in Mylar preservation sleeves and acid-free file folders.