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Athletic probe finds program '99% clean'

by Chuck Cavalaris

A report sent to President M.G. Scarlett Monday from the special committee to investigate MTSU athletics found the program, "conductive to the guidelines established by the NCAA and OVC," but made four suggestions to ensure continued compliance.

The three-page report, formulated after a four-week investigation, found the program to be "99 per cent clean," Scarlett said.

The four suggestions formulated by the committee are:

 The MTSU Blue Raider Club should devote at least two meetings per year to inform all supporters of university athletics on the rules and regulations of the NCAA and OVC.

• The MTSU Athletic Department should prepare a condensed manual containing NCAA and OVC rules and regulations. This manual would be distributed to supporters of the university athletic program to ensure that the program continues to operate in accordance with these rules.

 The athletic director should meet monthly with his coaches to review OVC rule changes and to discuss methods to ensure continued compliance with these rules and regulations. This monthly meeting is needed due to almost continuous changes in NCAA and OVC rules and regulations.

Those desiring to assist any athlete or the athletic program should coordinate this assistance through the athletic director. Without this coordination, a supporter could unknowingly violate an NCAA or OVC regulation.

"Any program in the state would be lucky to come out of such close scrutiny as we did," Scarlett said yesterday.

The irregularities the committee uncovered were two gifts of "less-than 10 dollars each" in the past six years to players and one instance of a coach "trying to get a player a passing grade," the report said.

Committee members were Ralph Fullerton and Robert Garrigus both MTSU professors, and ASB President Ted Helberg.

"We searched every possible avenue," committee chairman Fullerton said yesterday in his office, "and I don't know of any school that could be cleaner after such an intensive investigation."

The committee was given a "completely free hand in the investigation," Scarlett said, and was not in contact with the president's office during the probe.

Allen Jones of Sigma Chi and Gary Thomas of Kappa Sigma pitch in to help clean up the Elam's Mill area. Elam's Mill is a popular haunt for fraternity brothers. All fraternity pledge classes participated in the IFC-sponsored clean-up.

Quad Rice Photo

All interviews were based on guaranteed confidentiality, Fullerton said.

The committee talked to players, former players, recruits, coaches, motel managers, travel agents, airline representatives, professors, businessmen, alumni and townspeople.

"I guess because we didn't hang the university some people will think we just overlooked some things," Helberg said. "But I assure you nothing was overlooked. It was a very thorough investigation."

"If the report had been 100 per cent favorable, I would have suspected a whitewash. But the committee found absolutely no evidence to warrant further investigation," Scarlett said.

"I have a lot of confidence in the three people on the committee," Scarlett said. "I told them if they needed the authority of this office to bring someone before them they had it, but I had nothing to do with it," he added.

Scarlett said he was "really upset" with an article in the Nashville Banner Monday night which contained six allegations supposedly in the report.

"Five of these paragraphs are (continued on page three)

Media council refuses to ask veto of yearbook budget cuts

by Ted Rayburn

Two proposed measures asking Gov. Ray Blanton to veto pending legislation cutting state funds to college yearbooks were defeated by the MTSU Committee on Student Publications Tuesday.

A motion to send a committee letter to the governor met a tie in voting and was tabled while a move to adopt a resolution asking Blanton to item veto the section of the state general appropriations bill concerning yearbook funds failed 3-4-1.

The first amendment to the appropriations bill states that "no state tax dollars shall be expended for the publication by any college or university of a student annual or yearbook."

A third vote was taken yesterday by mail on the same resolution defeated Tuesday, which states "The MTSU Council on Student Publications expresses its despair and its dissatisfaction over the amendment to the appropriations bill cutting state funds for yearbooks and wishes to note that such action does irreparable harm to the educational function of the university."

Results on the balloting on the resolution are expected Friday.

Reasons submitted by committee members for declining the letter and resolution included apparent lack of student interest in maintaining a yearbook, lack of committee member information on the recent legislation and fear that such immediate action would be beyond the responsibility of the committee without futher approval from President M.G. Scarlett.

Supporters of the resolution maintained that responsibility for the action was embodied in the guidelines set for the council and that it was their "duty" to take a stance on the amendment.

Section three of the committee's guidelines as referred to by supporters of the resolution, states that it is the committee's responsibility to "endorse and support the concept of a student press free from censorship and other undue pressure from any source."

Student members Joy Heath, Fred Carr, Michael Gigandet and Greg Wade yesterday sent a letter to the governor independent of committee concerns, Gigandet, committee secretary, said.

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House questions sociology denial of tenure

By Trina Jones

A resolution calling for the suspension of university action in the recent denial of tenure to a sociology faculty member was unanimously approved by the ASB House of Representatives yester-

Richard C. McEwen, assistant professor of sociology, was recently denied tenure by his department. The resolution was passed in a move to back current student efforts to have McEwen's tenure denial investigated.

Sociology student Dan Smith told the representatives that approximately 150 students have signed a letter of protest directed to Chancellor Roy Nicks, asking that the Board of Regents investigate the tenure issue and student complaints revolving around the recent denial.

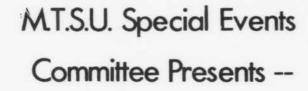
Smith claimed that sociology students have been told by South that McEwen was not granted tenure because he does not hold a Ph.D. in anthropology.

The resolution charges that formal student protests filed with department chairman Donald South have not been answered to the students' satisfaction. Smith noted that South has called an open forum for 4:30 p.m. today in NCB 320 to answer questions.

The resolution, which will be sent to Nicks and Vice President for Academic Affairs Jack Carlton, asks that all action against McEwen "be suspended until all pertinent facts are brought to the student body's attention."

In further action, the house passed a resolution asking for the abolishment of four ordinances from the Murfreesboro City Code dealing with beer sales in the city.

The house approved a resolution calling for the reduction of the motorcycle registration fee from five dollars to one dollar. The measure calls for the designation of parking spaces for motorcycles behind the University Center.



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Ticket void declared 'above board'

(continued from page one) absolutely false," he said.

"All we have are rumors. There is not one ounce of fact in them," Scarlett said. "They do not appear in the report."

The investigation stemmed from the ''ugly rumors'' which developed in the ASB trial of former MTSU basketball player Ronnie Greenwade six weeks ago.

Greenwade was dismissed from the basketball squad in early January for "disciplinary reasons,"

'Meet Your Adviser' scheduled next week

"Meet Your Adviser Week" is scheduled from Monday through Friday, according to Robert MacLean, dean of student services.

Trial schedules and class schedules for intersession and summer session will soon be available in support of this activity, MacLean said. Course listings for Fall Semester 1976 will also be distributed.

"It is hoped that students again meet with their advisers and plan and get approvals of course selection well in advance of each of the three registrations remaining to be accomplished in calendar year 1976," said MacLean. head basketball Coach Jimmy Earle said.

At the time, Greenwade was on trial for his failure to pay for some 19 parking tickets. He said at the trial it was a normal practice for the coaches to "take care of" such problems for athletes.

The ASB Supreme Court recommended the investigation after "rumors began to spread on campus" about other favors to athletes, and talk of a special fund established for some players by local businessmen.

"Tickets are often voided if the student has a legitimate reason for receiving it," Scarlett said, "and that includes all students, not just athletes."

Many of the "ticket fixing" charges Greenwade made, according to Earle, were tickets sophomore forward Sleepy Taylor received while getting treatment at the infirmary for an injured knee.

"He (Taylor) was supposed to be provided with a permanent parking place at the infirmary," Earle said, "but occasionally the campus police would ticket his car anyway during his visits. These tickets were voided by the University. It was all above-board," he said.

Throughout the investigation, the coaching staff and Athletic Director Charles M. "Bubber" Murphy stated that the "program has nothing to hide."

"If a player is receiving illegal gifts or money, it is without the knowledge of the coaches," Murphy said. "I don't believe it is happening or somebody would have come forward with more concrete evidence than has been presented so far," Murphy said.

Blue Raider Club President Garland Roberts said players have never received money gifts from that alumni organization.

"When a player is in the hospital, as a couple are right now for knee operations, we send flowers and fruit baskets," Roberts said. "That's the only gifts they receive from us," he added.

Marketing trip planned

A "Survey of Europe and International Marketing" abroad will be offered for university credit May 8-23, trip coordinator Merrell Pratt said.

Deadline for submitting deposits is March 30.

Eight countries will be toured on the trip. Cost of the trip will be \$945 plus university registration.

"The primary purpose is observing cultural differences and the methods of handling business," Pratt said.

For more information, contact Pratt at box 384 or call 2738.

Spring blood drive aims for 400 donors

"We hope to get over 400 donors in this semester's Red Cross blood drive," James Taylor, ROTC instructor, said.

The blood drive will be held Tuesday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the third floor of the University Center.

The faculty-student blood drive is sponsored by the ROTC department to help support the Rutherford County blood program, Taylor said.

"The turnout in the fall was so great that we had to turn people away," Taylor said. "We hope to get as many people as possible on this drive and we will be equipped to handle them."

A trophy will be given to the organization with the most donors for the year, Taylor pointed out.

Donors will be allowed to sign up for their organization at the drive.

Washington, D.C. jobs available for this fall

Academic internships in Washington, D.C., are available for the fall for interested MTSU students, according to David Grubbs, chairman of the political science department.

For further information, contact Grubbs in NCB 209 or at 898-2708. Deadline for application is April 15.

Allen Holder's wife, Deborah, pins his 2nd Lt. bars on following graduation in January.

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Congress' Bicentennial flight to England grounded

by Jack Anderson with Joe Spear

WASHINGTON-Congressional leaders have gone to extraordinary lengths to wrangle a Bicentennial junket to the country America rebelled against 200 years ago.

They almost didn't make it.

The controversy began when the British offered to loan the Magna Carta to the United States for the Bicentennial.



The congressional leaders wanted to fly to London to accept the historic document and bring it back to Washington for display in the Capitol rotunda.

But this is an election year, and everybody is preaching government economy. House members, therefore, got nervous about authorizing a congressional whoop-de-doo in London. So they voted against the trip.

This embarrassed the leaders, who scratched backs and twisted arms in the cloakrooms to persuade the members to change their minds. The leaders argued it would be an affront to England not to make a big production of the Magna Carta offer.

But there were a few things that the congressional leaders didn't tell their members. They didn't mention the cost of the trip. Our inside sources say it will run about \$150,000.

They also didn't mention that Speaker Carl Albert had already sent two aides to London to make the arrangements. They flew to London in January-first class, of course-at the taxpayers' expense.

But more important, the congressional leaders misled their members about the historic importance of the occasion. Some leaders solemnly stressed, for example, that this would be the first time the Magna Carta has been shown in the United States.

In truth, the Magna Carta was exhibited at the 1939 World's Fair in New York City. And during World War II, the original Magna Carta was stored at Fort Knox along with our Declaration of Independence and the Constitution.

The leaders also made a big deal of the British offer to replace the Magna Carta with a facsimile after the original is returned next year. The facsimile will be displayed permanently in the Rotunda.

Just across the street, the Library of Congress has been exhibiting a Magna Carta facsimile for more than a quarter-century.

Costly Costcutters: Last fall, the Pentagon dispatched its top efficiency expert to Iran to straighten out the worst military foul-up in peacetime history.

The problem was created by the shah, who squandered his oil billions on modern weapons faster than his armed forces could assimilate them. Mountains of munitions piled up on Iranian docks and fields. Planes, helicopters and other sophisticated weapons were left in crates for weeks, waiting to be assembled.

The problem has now been entrusted to Erich Von Marbod. He is the Pentagon's chief troubleshooter. His mission is to save the shah from his own waste.

Von Marbod was rushed to Iran with a staff of 10 crack experts and

a reputation as a man who gets things done. We don't know how much money he has saved the shah, but he has cost the American taxpayers a bundle.

Von Marbod, it seems, likes to live in style. He brought along a load of fancy furnishings for himself and his staff. There were carpets, draperies, chairs, sofas, cabinets, china, silver and you-

It cost the taxpayers \$16,251.48 just to pack and crate it all. As an efficiency expert, Von Marbod knew that the fastest way to get these goods to Iran was by air. It took two huge C-141 cargo planes to haul it all. This cost the taxpayers another \$110, 708.

By the time Von Marbod got his new Iranian quarters furnished to suit his tastes, the taxpayers were out a total of \$198,185.45.

Aegean Confrontation: A new confrontation between the Greeks and the Turks recently took place in the Aegean Sea. The incident was kept secret, but we dug out the story. Here are the dramatic details:

On March 10, Turkey began conducting air and naval maneuvers in the Aegean. strategic sea is dotted with Greek islands, each surrounded by a six-mile territorial boundary. The Turks, therefore, could easily have penetrated into Greek territory.

Secret intelligence reports warned that the Greek government was gravely concerned about this possibility. The Greeks sent blunt notice to the Turks that any ship or plane that encroached on Greek territory would be fired upon.

A crisis was averted, however, by eleventh-hour negotiations between the two governments. The Turks were careful to notify the Greeks, for example, of their specific plans. The Greeks protested and some compromises were

For example, one Greek island would have been blockaded four hours a day. After the Greeks complained, the Turks relented and agreed to restrict their fire so planes could reach the island.

Sour Grapes: Nothing, it appears, infuriates a congressman more than an assault on his vanity. A Boston Globe reporter, for example, recently accused Rep. James Burke, D-Mass. of dyeing his hair. Burke retaliated with the charge that the reporter was jealous of his youthful appearance. The newsman, growled Burke, was known as "prune face" because he "has more wrinkles than an unmade bed.'

Diplomatic Plumber: Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's penchant for secrecy is no secret, but few people realize how strenuously he tries to plug news leaks. He has terrorized his own employees with orders to keep things to themselves. And occasionally he even attempts to gag foreign governments. Virtually every week, say our diplomatic sources, Kissinger or an aide calls the Israeli embassy and accuses them of leaking stories to the press.

Storage Costs: The price of a stamp has gone from 10 to 13 cents, but mail delivery doesn't seem any faster. One of our readers thinks he knows why. The 10 cents, he told us, must be used to cover the cost of delivery, while the extra three cents goes to pay for storage.

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Blame for light vote placed on other doorsteps

I agree with Frank White's article in the March 23 Sidelines. The light vote in the ASB election does suggest Election Commission failure, but they are not the only ones who failed.

The students failed to find out who was running and what their platforms were. Many did not know when the election was held and some, in spite of all the posters, did not know that anyone was having

The candidates failed to present their platforms adequately, especially senatorial candidates.

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Posters with a name and a meaningless catch phrase do not give students enough information with which to reach a decision on whom to vote for.

The ASB government failed to do anything to motivate students to vote, and they failed to examine the problems in the election procedure and enact legislation to deal with

The Sidelines failed to advertise the election adequately. The platforms of senatorial candidates were never mentioned. An extra edition during the campaigning would not have been inappropriate.

Mr. White said, "The post office on the first floor of the UC draws virtually every student on the campus within the course of two days..." and I think he hit upon the solution to some of the problems.

The ballot boxes should be on the first floor of the UC and the ballots should be distributed to the

students through their own mailboxes. However, this could lead to other problems if the candidates and their platforms are not well advertised.

Billy See Box 7039

Bicentennial Blues??

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Calendar

Graduate Test: 1:30 p.m.; UC 314 Movie: "The Great Waldo Pepper;" 3:30, 6 & 8 p.m.; UC Theatre

Traffic Court: 4:30 p.m.; UC 322A Brass Ensemble Concert: 8 p.m.; Tennessee Room, SUB Sigma Delta Chi: 7 p.m.; UC 318

Tomorrow

Baseball: MTSU v. North Central Illinois; 3 p.m.; Baseball Field

Mini-Concert: James Rogers; 8 p.m.; **UC** Theatre

Monday

Movie: "Magical Mystery Tour;" 3:30, 6 & 8 p.m.; UC Theatre

Fencing Club: 7:30 p.m.; dance studio

B, Murphy Center

Religious studies swaps departments

MTSU's department of Religious Studies will become a part of the department of Philosophy on July 1, 1976, "for administrative purposes," according to Clay Tucker, dean of liberal arts.

Private funds have financed the religious studies program for the last three years and the government has not yet raised its budget for the development of new programs or departments in state universities, McRay said.

Students enrolled in the religious studies area will not be affected by this change. The courses will not be changed and McRay "will continue to teach the courses and will serve as adviser for religious studies minors," Tucker added.

There has been a 100 per cent increase in the number of students since the department began in

McRay added that other universities such as Western Kentucky. University of Virginia, Iowa and Georgia are seeing larger enrollment figures in their religious studies programs.

McRay said he would like to see the funds made available for the advancement of the department and hopefully for the addition of a Jewish professor to the faculty.

He said that religious studies is such a controversial subject and explained that he does not teach church-he teaches religion.

Ag tickets available

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Thinclads ask for 'freshmen wins' in Florida Relays

by John Shires

Fresh from a quadrangular meet win over East Tennessee, Eastern Kentucky and Miami of Ohio last Saturday, MTSU's track team travels to Gainesville, Fla., Friday and Saturday to compete in the Florida Relays.

At least 75 teams from all over the southeast will join the Raiders in the event, including Florida State, the University of Pennsylvania, Southern Illinois, South Carolina, Cornell and Auburn.

"We're going to run mostly freshman relay," Blue Raider

check 'da tube

Saturday

11:30 a.m.—Ch. 4...Tennis 1 p.m.—Ch. 4...Michigan vs. Rutgers (NCAA Tourney)

1 p.m.—Ch. 2...Wide World of Sports

2:30 p.m.—Ch. 2...Pro Bowlers 3 p.m.—Ch. 4...UCLA vs. Indiana (NCAA Tourney)

4 p.m.—Ch. 2...Wide World of Sports

Coach Dean Hayes said regarding the freshman division of the meet in which MTSU will enter eight members to compete in the 440-yard dash and one-mile sprint medley.

In the university division, the

Golfers tag Vandy

Middle Tennessee State's golf team started out on a winning note last week, sinking Vanderbilt by ten strokes at Stones River golf course.

The linksters stand 1-0 in preparation for an upcoming match with the Commodores again tomorrow.

"We beat Vandy at our place, but it could easily be a different story down there," golf Coach E.K. Patty said yesterday.

Coach Patty said he is not sure of his starting six, but said they will come from these seven: Bobby Dyke, Ronnie Duff, Geary Sharber, Gerald Nelson, Chip Yanen, Sam Hunt or Tom Provow.

The next match for the golfers is April 8-11 in the Southern Junior and Senior Collegiate Invitational in Willow Point, Ala.

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Raiders will enter nine events highlighted by the field events where the famed "Grasshopper Gang," composed of Sheikh Faye, John DoDoo, Marvin Hill and Jimmy Washington, "should do well," according to Hayes.

Hayes pointed out that the freshman relay will be good in that it will give them a chance to compete and to place.

"Overall, we should be able to perform real well down there," Hayes said.



This cartoon was on the door of Raider Coach Jimmy Earle yesterday. Earle should be calm since the threat of an NCAA probation is shelved after a throrough investigation of his program yielded highly favorable results.

At basketball banquet

Mears named guest speaker

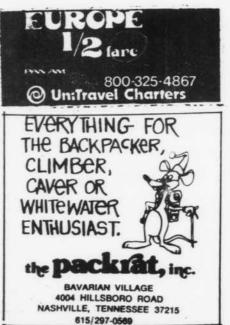
Ray Mears, head basketball coach at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville, will be the guest speaker at the appreciation and awards dinner honoring the 1975-76 Middle Tennessee basketball team.

The dinner will be held April 15 at 7 p.m. at the Stones River Country Club.

Sponsored by a group of concerned fans headed by businessman Larry Haynes, the dinner will be open to the public.

Tickets will be available beginning Monday by contacting Mr. Haynes at 893-1515. They are \$10 each and they will cover a ribeye steak dinner and help pay for the cost of the banquet preparations.





Raiders gonna 'throw 'em in the creek' at Murray

by Ed Arning Assistant Sports Editor

"We can throw the books in the creek after Friday," said Coach John Stanford as he referred to the fact that MTSU, 10-7, opens its OVC baseball schedule at Murray State Saturday.

The last Blue Raider home game before the OVC opener is Friday afternoon at 3 p.m. against North Central Illinois. Steve Smith, 1-0, is scheduled to pitch for MTSU.

Yesterday, MTSU split a doubleheader with the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

Behind the two-hit pitching of Pete Sinopoli, the Blue Raiders blasted the Blugolds from Wisconsin 10-0. Sinopoli picked up the win in his debut as a starting pitcher in collegiate baseball.

MTSU pounded out ten hits and forced the game to be called when they got ten runs ahead of Wisconsin in the sixth inning.

The rule concerning the situation states that if a team gets ten runs ahead of the opposition after five innings the game will be called off.

In the second game, Wisconsin-Eau Claire slipped past the Raiders 3-2. Mike Graham, also in his debut as a starter, took the loss for MTSU.



It isn't a knockout punch. MTSU designated hitter Tony Richardson is about to be tagged by Wisconsin Eau-Claire's second baseman to thwart a Raider base theft, but the scoreboard tells the story.

"Both pitchers pitched good on enough to win, but the hitting slacked off in the second game for

allowed five hits in seven innings.

Assistant Coach Steve Peterson added, "We had men on base all game, but we could not get the hits to knock them in.

us," Stanford said. Graham only

"There were some mental errors

on the base paths that were uncalled for in the second game," Peterson said.

"We played some of our young players in the second game, but we still expected to get more hitting than we did, not only from our young players but from the whole team," said Stanford.

MTSU collected only five hits in the second game.

Tuesday afternoon MTSU was whipped by David Lipscomb 17-5. Danny Neal picked up the loss for the Blue Raiders.

The Bisons outhit MTSU 17 to 15 in the slugfest.

Danny Moore and Denton Peters were the leading MTSU hitters as they both went three for four at the plate, with Moore connecting for his first homerun of the year.

"We have to bounce back if we are going to be ready to play Murray Saturday," Peterson said. George Ploucher and Neal will pitch for the Raiders against Murray.

Home baseball games

Fri., Mar. 26—North Central Illinois (1)—3 p.m.

Thur., Apr. 1—University of Wisconsin-

Whitewater (2)—1:30 p.m. Sat., Apr. 3—Austin Peay (2)—1:30 p.m. Sun., Apr. 4—Vanderbilt (1)—3 p.m.

Wed., Apr. 7—Western Kentucky (2)—1:30 p.m.

Thur., Apr. 8—Sewanee (2)—1:30 p.m.

Mon., Apr. 12—Trevecca (1)—3 p.m. Wed., Apr. 14—Murray (2)—1:30 p.m.

Thur., Apr. 15—Tennessee State (1)—3 p.m.

Thur., Apr. 22—Belmont (1)—3 p.m. Fri., Apr. 23—David Lipscomb (1)—3 p.m.

Sat., Apr. 24—Tennessee Tech (2)—1:30 p.m.

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