

LaLance chosen student affairs VP

by Phil West

Robert LaLance, acting vice president for student affairs and former dean of students, was named yesterday vice president for student affairs by university President M. G. Scarlett.

LaLance was temporarily named to fill the vacancy created earlier this semester when Harry Wagner was named president of Motlow State Community College in Tullahoma.

The search for a new vice president was narrowed to LaLance and two others by the Advisory Committee earlier this month. Glenn Stillion, vice chancellor for student development at Western Carolina University, and Jerry Wilder, director of the office of

undergraduate advisement and developmental studies at Western Kentucky University, were also considered for the post.

"Seriously, I'd like to have all three on the staff," Scarlett said. "Neither had the experience of Bob LaLance."

Scarlett pointed out that LaLance had held the position "on an acting basis years ago."

Scarlett said he will ask the Chancellor of the Board of Regents to make the appointment retroactive to yesterday.

LaLance was graduated from West Virginia University, received his M.S. degree from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville and earned his doctorate from MTSU.



Robert LaLance

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Petition hits bill's veto

by Rick Edmondson

A petition criticizing Robert LaLance's performance as acting vice president of student affairs is being circulated on campus, according to ASB representative Tom Wells.

Wells, who co-authored the petition with MTSU graduate student Kanan Peter, said the appeal stems from LaLance's veto of an ASB bill which would have established a permanent spot in the University Center for off campus groups.

Wells said copies of the petition would be posted on all bulletin boards in the UC and the NCB by 9 a.m. today and that students who support the petition may sign any of these copies.

"LaLance epitomizes what's wrong with this university and the administration's attitude toward students and their rights," Wells said, explaining that the petition is not "a direct personal attack on LaLance, but just on the job he's done."

The bill, passed by acclamation of both houses of the ASB, would have reserved a permanent table between the grill and the lounge for the purpose of exposing "students to information and views foreign" to them.

The petition reads:

"We, the undersigned, believe that Dean LaLance's views and actions have not been consistent

with the best interests of the student body and the university as a whole. We believe his appointment as a permanent vice president in charge of student affairs would be a direct insult to the students of Middle Tennessee State University."

No institution should have the right to legislate "social prohibition," Wells said, adding that 18 persons have signed the petition so far.

2 frosh face forgery trial

Two MTSU freshmen will appear in Murfreesboro General Sessions Court Thursday on charges stemming from a check forgery.

Anthony Morgan, 19, was charged with forgery by Murfreesboro City Police last Thursday after attempting to pass a \$3.68 check at College Heights Package Store, according to Detective E. N. Brown.

Michael Lane, 19, was charged with attempt to commit a felony, Brown said.

Brown explained that a student, John Beasley, had lost his check book in the University bookstore in February and that Morgan had written the check on Beasley's checkbook.



Stan Bennett, an MTSU freshman, keeps watch over the cannon at Stones River National Battlefield. The cannon was fired Saturday to open the local bicentennial celebration.

Karen Denton photo

Local bicentennial celebration opens with historic cannon shot

Volunteers dressed in Confederate uniforms fired the solid brass "Napoleon" cannon Saturday at Stones River National Battlefield to kick off Rutherford County's bicentennial celebration.

More than 500 people witnessed the firing, which was the first time a live cannon round had

been fired at the battlefield since the actual battle more than 100 years ago.

Other highlights of the "Living History Camp" included a demonstration of a Revolutionary War flintlock rifle and a free concert by the 101st Airborne Division Band and Color Guard.

Blanton wants tuition hike

By Charlotte Crowder

CHATTANOOGA — Gov. Ray Blanton was hit in the face with a lemon meringue pie Thursday at UT-Chattanooga.

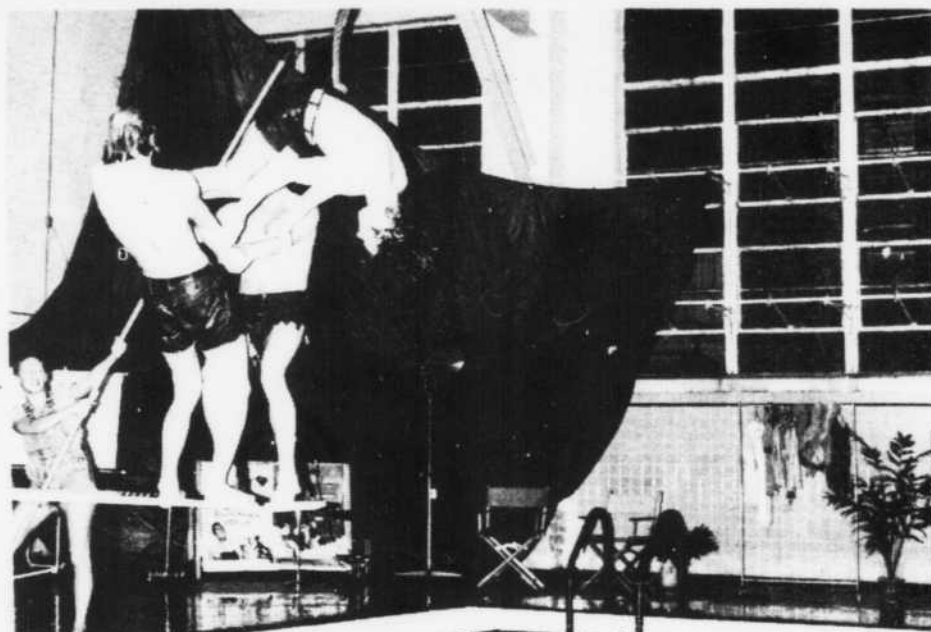
A former student, Paul Scates, threw the pie at Blanton as he was leaving the student center following a speech. Scates was apprehended by campus police, but the governor said he would not press charges.

"With my many years in politics, I was lucky I haven't had something thrown at me before," Blanton said.

During the speech, Blanton said a tuition increase is "the only logical course" to help the higher education budget.

"The administration is prepared to support a tuition hike, up to 10 per cent, because we realize that the higher education budget falls short of money requirements. We don't like doing this, but under prevailing tight-money circumstances, it seems the only logical course," he said.

Blanton also said Tennessee education, from kindergarten through college, will cost more than \$775 million for the next fiscal year. Of that, he said, more than \$171 million will go to higher education, an increase of \$1.5 million from this year.



Two Triton club members help a fellow swimmer into the pool during last week's water show.

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State bills of interest

by Charlotte Crowder

NASHVILLE — Proposed legislation in the General Assembly of interest to college students, faculty and administrators and the status last week of each bill is listed below:

—Allow \$9 million in bonds for an art and architecture building at UT-Knoxville (SB 502-HB 620) in house and senate education committees.

—Place student on Board of Regents (SB 13-HB 10), signed into law.

—Allow supplemental voter registration on college campuses (SB 676-HB 37), in the senate State and Local Government Committee.

—Restore tuition grant program (no funding included in bill) (SB 165-HB 140), governor let become law without his signature.

—Ban prior sexual experience evidence in rape trials (SB 92-HB 234), now on the governor's desk.

—Allow governing board to delegate authority to set curricula (SB 208-HB 347), in the House Education Committee and has passed the Senate.

—In-state tuition reciprocity agreement with surrounding economic subregions (SB 744-HB 446), in the House Calendar Committee and the Senate Education Committee.

—Add two to UT Board (SB 376-HB 452), in the House Education Committee and was amended in the Senate Calendar Committee to add only one, from Davidson County.

—Extend term of education commissioner from three to six years (SB 425-HB 583), in the House Calendar Committee and the Senate Education Committee.

—Change from ½ ounce to one ounce amount of marijuana needed to infer possession for sale; make violation a misdemeanor (SB 1112-HB 1190), has been introduced in the house and is in the Senate Judiciary Committee.

—Create one coordinating board for all public education (SB 748-HB 674), in the house and Senate education Committees.

—Let counties establish two-year community colleges (SB 975-HB 748), in the house and senate education committees.

—Ban sale of beer and soft drinks in throwaway bottles (SB 712-HB 766), in the House General Welfare Committee and the Senate Commerce and Labor Committee.

—Ban preparation and sale of term papers (SB 709-HB 801), in the house and senate education committees.



Hugh Thomas, a resident of Bell Buckle, probably regrets running that yellow light Friday night. A few minutes later on East Main street, a tree blew over and wrecked his truck. Thomas was not injured in the freak accident.

Charles Steed photo

'Dracula' to open at DA

A presentation of the classic thriller "Count Dracula" will open at 8 p.m. Thursday in the Dramatic Arts auditorium.

Jud Burroughs will be featured as the infamous count, and Vernon Cox will play Dr. Arthur Seward, operator of an asylum for the insane.

Seward's sister (Karla Pate) and their ward (Gayle Bush) are objects of Dracula's attention.

Other cast members include Carl Turner, Jim Howard, Pete Richards, Bill Goodwin and Rex

Brown.

The show will be directed by Dorethe Tucker and student assistant Linda Myers.

Magic effects, including a scene where the count disappears from the hands of would-be captors, are coordinated by set director Clayton Hawes and his crew, while Pat Rucker directs the costuming for the show.

Students will be admitted free to the show with a valid ID. The play will run through Saturday night.

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1:40 TTH	12-2 p.m.	11 MWF	8-10 a.m.
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6 TH, 7 TH	6-8 p.m.	TBA and others	To be arranged by instructor
7:50 TH	8-10 p.m.		between April 29 and May 6.

Collage features stained glass

by John Pitts

Editor Linda Sissom's final issue of Collage magazine is the most diverse this year, brimming with a variety of features, fiction, poetry, photography and art.

The May issue's cover photo is surrounded by a black border to emphasize a bright-colored stained glass lamp that was created by Clayton Hawes of the speech and theatre department.

Hawes' stained glass talent is featured by upcoming Collage editor Robin Freeman.

"Comment on Yesterday—from the private letters of Anna Louise Morrow" is a fictional short story by Lucy Sikes.

In non-fiction, "The Making of a Record" looks at Nashville's big business through the reporting of Scott Perry and the photography of Tim Hamilton.

Review

Larry Reynolds continues his excellent art selections with "Scarred by the War," a four-page representation of houses damaged during the Civil War.

An artist whose best tools are really his thumbs is the subject of "Thumbs Up to Hal," a feature by Bonnie Vannatta.

"Middle Tennessee Legends: Murderous to Mundane," by David Brown, describes local folk tales.

The annual madness and chaos of New Orleans provides material for Jennifer McGhee's "Mardi Gras World," a review of the history of past celebrations and a look at the most recent 11-day carnival.

An essay of special photographic effects and several poems roundout the final 1974-75 series.

Collage will be available tomorrow and Thursday at Sidelines distribution areas.

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Low success aids Hoople split

by Steve Huhman

After six years of hard work and two years of success, Mott the Hoople has finally dissolved.

Back in 1972, steady recording and touring had failed to make a dent in popularity after four albums, and the group had decided to disband in discouragement. David Bowie, who hearing that, wrote a special song for the group, chased them down in Switzerland and eventually persuading them to give it one more go. The song was the now famous "All the Young Dudes."

The album of the same title finally gave the group the commercial success they deserved. Then however, the group began to fall apart. After recording "All the Young Dudes," organist Verden Allen quit, claiming the group was not using enough of his material. He was not replaced for the next album, "Mott," which is considered Mott the Hoople's pinnacle, both critically and commercially.

Following "Mott," guitarist Mick Ralphs left the group and evolved his project into Bad Company. He was replaced by

"Ariel Bender," who was actually Luther Grosvenor, formerly of Spooky Tooth and Stealer's Wheel.

At this point, Mott added keyboard player Morgan Fisher and recorded "The Hoople." Popularity continued high, but critically, the group slipped some because Ian Hunter was the only remaining songwriter left after Ralphs' departure, was somewhat overpressured to compose material for the entire album. Nonetheless, the group continued, and recorded a representative live album.

Next on the list of departures was Ariel Bender, who was replaced by ex-Bowie sideman Mick Ronson. The only recorded product from this short-lived incarnation of Mott the Hoople was a single, "Saturday Gigs," released only in England.

After being hospitalized for exhaustion last fall, Ian Hunter announced he was leaving the group and taking Mick Ronson with him to pursue solo projects. The Hunter-Ronson band has tentatively scheduled a U.S. tour late this spring.

Meanwhile, the remainder of Mott, "Overend" Watts, Morgan Fisher, and Dale "Buffin" Griffen have somewhat vague plans to continue together as a band calling itself just "The Hoople." Thus, another band of the seventies fades into oblivion.

Blood Drive set

A Red Cross Blood Drive will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. today in the University Center rooms 318 and 320.

Sponsored by the Scabbard and Blade, the drive has a quota of 400 pints. Donors and their families will receive blanket coverage for six months after they give blood.

Fraternities, sororities and clubs will compete for trophies awarded to groups with higher percentages of donors.

Show to feature student soloists

T. Earl Hinton will direct at 3:30 p.m. Sunday a concert featuring student soloists in the Dramatic Arts auditorium.

Soloists to perform are Betty Morris, flute; John Reid, trumpet; and Janice Hughes Jentzsch, piano.

Morris will be featured in Quantz's "Concerto in G for Flute, Reid in Hummel's "Concerto in E flat for Trumpet" and Jentzsch in Gershwin's "Concerto in F for Piano."

Selections planned for performance by the University-Community Orchestra are "Overture to Act Three-Lohengrin" by Wagner, and three concertos.

Summer, fall editors chosen

Sidelines managing editor Phil West and former managing editor Bill Mason were appointed Friday by the Council on Student Publications as editors-in-chief for the summer and fall semesters, respectively.

Gary Keel, Sidelines advertising director, was appointed to another term through December.

West and Mason said editor and writing positions are available.

"I plan on running a weekly crime report and more photo and feature essays," West said.

Mason said his editorials will be "conservative." "One of my main projects will be to make better use of photographs," he added. "I think students are tired of seeing mug shots."

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NORML spokesman calls for student support

by Rick Edmondson

Citing the example set by Oregon as evidence that decriminalization of marijuana can be beneficial, a spokesman for the MTSU chapter of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML) yesterday called for student support for NORML's efforts at MTSU and Tennessee.

Assailant charged

A Murfreesboro man appeared yesterday in General Sessions Court on disorderly conduct and assault and battery charges stemming from an incident Thursday night during an open-air dance at the NCB mall.

John Sanders, 648 N. Courtland St., was charged after he struck student patrol officer Gary Bender, according to Security Chief Matthew Royal.

Royal said other warrants concerning the incident will be issued.

The MTSU chapter of NORML was officially recognized by the Screening Committee yesterday.

Lee Cohen, spokesman for the group, said legislation to reduce to a simple fine the penalties for possession of up to an ounce of marijuana was introduced into the Tennessee General Assembly last week.

Cohen said citizens need to write their congressmen to let their legislators know how they feel about decriminalization. "People just can't be apathetic about this any more," he said.

"Out of 497,000 Americans arrested for pot last year, 93 per cent were arrested for possession of less than an ounce," Cohen said. "It's wrong to lock up this many people each year and tie up the courts, as slow as they are."

All of the reports published on marijuana by the Department of Health Education and Welfare and the drug abuse commissions have

been in support of decriminalization, he pointed out. Cohen cited the National Commission on Marijuana and Drug Abuse, the American Bar Association, the governing board of the American Medical Association, the National Council of Churches and the New Jersey Narcotic Enforcement Officers Association among the organizations that have gone on record favoring decriminalization of marijuana.

Fifty-eight per cent of all Oregonians are satisfied with decriminalization in that state; 39 per cent preferred stricter penalties; 93 per cent of the users like the law and among adults who have never tried pot, 54 per cent like the law, Cohen said, citing statistics taken in Oregon following passage of decriminalization. He added that a "significant decrease" was reported in marijuana use among persons who smoke pot.

The NORML spokesman said the group will probably sponsor a showing of the film "Reefer Madness," a debate between local minister George Dehoff and Nashville attorney Lionel Barrett, Jr. and a benefit concert by Barefoot Jerry.

Cohen also outlined a plan to establish bail fund for people who are arrested for possession of marijuana in Murfreesboro.

"First we need money. Once we have money then we can gain influence," Cohen said, adding that the group plans on setting up roadblocks to collect funds.

The NORML spokesman explained that while membership in the national organization costs \$10.00, membership in the MTSU chapter is free.

If a student wants to join, all he has to do is come to the meetings, Cohen said, adding that the next meeting is Thursday night.

Police probe thefts, forgery

A check forgery, a hit-and-run auto accident, five petty larcenies and a possible grand larceny were reported to MTSU security office last week.

A Murfreesboro man, Bobby Potts, was charged with leaving the scene of an accident around 1:30 a.m. last Thursday after being identified by a witness to the accident.

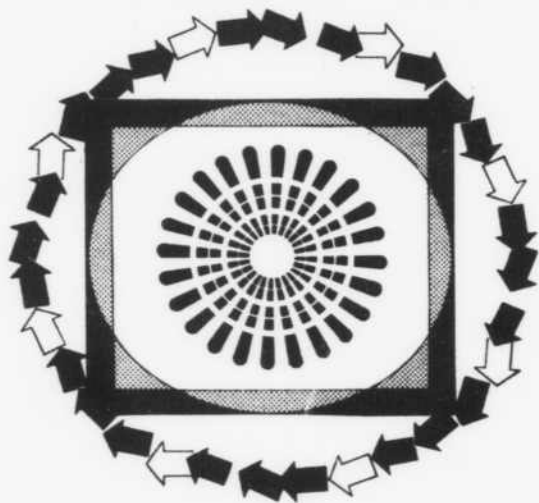
About \$115 in cash and personal belongings were taken from the football locker room between 4:30 and 6 p.m. Monday.

A 10-speed bicycle, valued at about \$65, was reported stolen.

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Can LaLance change? Cross your fingers

by Bill Mason

When appointments are made to fill vacancies in the top positions of the MTSU administration, students should be hopeful that the new officer will bring some progressive changes to an all too archaic system of rules and regulations.

Unfortunately with the appointment of Robert LaLance to the position of Vice President for Student Affairs, students have no such hopes or expectations.

LaLance has been a part of the MTSU system for many years--and the MTSU system has proven time and time again to be designed to benefit administrators, alumni (fat cats) and Regents rather than students or even faculty.

Of all the administrators who should lobby hard for changes to benefit the students and who should institute new policies designed to convenience the students, the vice president for student affairs is the most impor-

tant. Yet, what does LaLance's record as dean of students show?

As an adviser to the student courts, LaLance has shown little regard for the Constitution or fairness. He has stated on more than one occasion that proof of guilt beyond a shadow of a doubt is not necessary. In fact, he has told the student body (and instructed the student courts) that they need only a "preponderance" of guilt (more proof for guilt than for innocence) to convict.

It should be quickly added that LaLance is not alone. Most of the student deans and administrators subscribe to this trampling of human rights and judicial fairness.

The conclusion can be drawn, then, that LaLance is not vitally concerned with student problems.

As a member of the All-Campus Rules Committee, LaLance opposed the extension of visitation hours in J and K apartments to 10 hours a day, seven days a week.

LaLance expressed his "adamant opposition" to the hours increase.

No administrator with the best interests of the students at heart would have cast a vote against the rights of privacy and property as LaLance did on this occasion.

The conclusion can be drawn, then, that LaLance has not lobbied for the best interests of the student body.

Recently, LaLance vetoed a request by the ASB legislature (which is the official voice of the students, no matter how ineffective) to provide a permanent table in the University Center for off-campus groups. This was one of the few pieces of legislation to pass both houses by acclamation.

LaLance's excuse for this action was weak--he was afraid that such a table would interrupt the normal flow of traffic. The end result of his action was to deny the students exposure to new phi-

losophies and ideas, to stab the very purpose of an institution of higher learning in the back.

The conclusion can be drawn, then, that LaLance is not interested in instituting new policies designed to convenience the student body.

Of course, LaLance's integrity and ability cannot be questioned; he is an honest and capable man. The decisions he has made and the policies he has started, however, are subject to question.

Perhaps LaLance will change--the students can only hope so. Time will tell the story of Vice President LaLance just as history tells the story of Dean LaLance.

In the meantime, the search goes on for a new Dean of Students. Hopefully, the MTSU administration will not choose someone who is bogged down in the tired, unfair and unrealistic policies of the past.

Assembly bribery probe nears completion

By Charlotte Crowder
TCPA Correspondent

NASHVILLE — A three-member Senate investigating committee has nearly completed its study of alleged bribe offers in connection with the vote to repeal liquor price-fixing laws.

They say they found no evidence of wrong-doing in the passage of this bill, but their investigation has opened new avenues to explore. In fact, the investigation has gone deeper than many Capitol Hill observers expected.

Tom Hensley, lobbyist for the Wine and Spirit Wholesalers, has admitted he has an open account at a liquor store near the Capitol, and allows members of the General Assembly to pick up bottles of whiskey for which he pays.

He also said no list is kept of the legislators who take advantage of his generosity, and added, "Usually, I don't even know" who they are, or when they pick up their liquor.

State Atty. Gen. Thomas Shriver says it's a misdemeanor to sell whiskey on credit, but the owner of the liquor store says it's paid for in advance.

Another interesting facet of the investigation has been a test, of sorts, of Tennessee's shield law that protects reporters from identifying their confidential sources.

During the course of the investigation, Larry Daughtrey, Capitol Hill reporter for the

Nashville Tennessean, testify about a story he wrote for the April 6 paper.

In it, he said a lobbyist once told him there used to be a list of assembly members who could be bought. Daughtrey also said this lobbyist didn't buy.

The committee, and particularly Sen. William Baird (D-Lebanon), asked who this lobbyist is. Daughtrey refused to tell them, claiming the privilege granted him by the shield law.

Baird asked him to go to the person for permission to reveal his name. Daughtrey did, and the source refused since he still works with the legislature.

Baird sought a warrant for Daughtrey's arrest as an accessory after the fact, but after conferring with Shriver, reconsidered.

This aspect of the case was

probably the most interesting to journalists, who watched its progress carefully. So carefully, in fact, that the governor had to delay the signing of the liquor price-fixing repealer 30 minutes because all the reporters were in another part of the building watching Daughtrey testify.

Even before the discussion of the warrant, the Capitol was adorned with fluorescent green stickers bearing a shield and the words, "Free Larry Daughtrey," in anticipation of his arrest.

But no one went to jail as a result of the investigation. And, while no evidence was found of wrong-doing during the passage of the liquor bill, the committee heard a lot of speculation about money changing hands in other years.

Daughtrey suggested to the committee they get a competent

investigator to follow up the rumors which circulate on the Hill.

He and his publisher, John Seigenthaler, told the committee the best way they know of to stop bribes is strong ethics legislation. Bi-partisan ethics bills have cleared house committees, and this is a step forward.

A lot of charges have been made without concrete proof. Although they aren't easily provable, there is no reason to dismiss them. As many people told the committee, the fact that the rumors occur again and again must be an indication something is wrong.

Finding what that is will require more than a three-man committee. It will require basic integrity among all the legislators not to fuel the fires of rumor themselves by such statements as, "You know, I could have had anything I wanted to vote against this bill, but I'm an honest legislator."

Remarks like that imply others aren't honest. When one is implicated, the whole body suffers in the public eye.

Clearing the cloud over the legislature will require more than a few honest men and women — it will require 132. Legislators must take it upon themselves to clean up their own acts, and to report anything they think might be a violation of the law to proper authorities.

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Letters to the Editor

Salib clarifies Faculty Senate tenure report

Mr. John Pitts' article about me in the April 18 issue of SIDELINES left out some important conclusions of the excellent report prepared by Dr. Roy Shelton and his Faculty Senate committee that was approved by a vote of 25-2. In view of the length of the report, I am sure the omission was unintentional.

It is important for me, however, that students and faculty

understand the points raised in the report.

1. Concerning the accuracy of Dr. Scarlett's statements about my "performance," the relevant paragraph in the report (page 10) reads as follows:

"All that we have learned indicates that President Scarlett's statement was also accurate in that the recommendations reaching his desk did indicate a negative

evaluation of Mr. Salib's performance. It was in fact President Scarlett's statement which gave the first indication to Mr. Salib that something puzzling had occurred in the transmitting of evaluations and recommendations so as to transform the very positive evaluation of his colleagues and chairman, who judged him worthy of both tenure and promotion, into the estimate of his performance which led the president to conclude that he did not even deserve an extension of the probationary period."

I have no quarrel with the implied conclusion of the report that a correct evaluation of my case was not available to the president at the time he made the statement. The question is: Why not?

2. With respect to the denial by the administration that the Tennessee law preventing tenure to aliens was involved in my evaluation (Sidelines, Oct. 22, 1974), the report (page 9) says:

"The committee also believes

the evidence indicates that the functioning of the Faculty Review Committee, in which attempts were made to raise the Salib issue, was seriously impaired by the clear implication, received by three faculty representatives on that committee, that the Salib matter was out of the committee's hands due to as yet unresolved legal problems. This committee finds it difficult to reconcile the fact that three faculty representatives on that committee emerged with the understanding that legal technicalities prevented a normal evaluation with the administration's position that the legal issue was long-dead and that, therefore, the decision to terminate was the result of a 'garden-variety' evaluation of Mr. Salib's 'performance.'"

A convenient summary of the report appears in the Daily News Journal (Tuesday, April 15).

Anis Salib
box 443

Refugees talk with feet

Most of the people in this school will probably disagree with this article because of the different ideologies involved, but I wish to express this opinion anyway. I've never written an article to the Sidelines before, and I probably will not do so again, but I feel extreme distaste for the sentiment on this campus concerning the Vietnam war. Most people will call me names and curse obscenities at me.

I wish to dedicate this to the men who fought alongside me in the Tiger Mountain, Vong Son, South Vietnam, and those who died or were wounded there. These men were my friends, and I'm proud to say they had the same view of the war that I did. We might be considered hawks and warmongers, but we did what we believed to be right.

We, as Americans in this country, are suffering from a sickness called self-pity. While we are concerned with our own little personal problems, other people suffer in the world. The present situation in South Vietnam is evidence enough to back up this statement.

While I was in South Vietnam, I served with the 2nd battalion, 503rd Infantry, 173rd Airborne Brigade stationed at LZ English in Bong Son.

Bong Son is a small town 50 miles to the north of Qui Nhon in Binh Dinh Province. The majority of the people there maintained simple lifestyles. We neither expressed our ideology to them or forced it upon them.

They as a people, and all the people of South Vietnam, have the right to live the way they wish. We only tried to give them

that right by fighting the terrorists who tried to force their ideology upon the people of South Vietnam. America fought terrorists before, during the revolutionary war because we wished to be free.

The South Vietnamese do not want communism; this is evident by the number of refugees fleeing from North Vietnamese troops.

They are literally talking with their feet! The South Vietnamese will maintain their dignity, their pride and their beliefs. A communist government will never work where there is opposition from the people.

The South Vietnamese are a proud people, and they are proving it now in their defense of Xuan Loc and other towns. They may eventually fall, and when they do we will feel the impact. I am ashamed as an American now for our refusal to help the South Vietnamese people maintain their country, but as a veteran I feel I must state my opinion while I still have the right to do so.

Frank Hulse
box 4030

ASB pols made 'gutless' attack

After almost a year of stunned silence, I feel compelled to speak my mind after being told of the low, vile, thinly disguised attacks upon the ASB president who toiled for MTSU two years ago.

It is my understanding that during the most recent ASB inaugural banquet several references were made about the sorry state of the ASB when the outgoing president, David Dodd, came into office. For some reason, the ASB groupies and fellow travelers who have leached in the halls

of the UC this past year felt that the Tim Watson administration was an all-time disaster for student government. They are self-seeking, ego-bloated and finally, dead wrong, with their brain-damaged accusations.

Watson and his folks acquitted themselves well with a university administration that neither accepted nor understood them.

He fought for longer library hours, only to be told no one would make use of the books after 11 p.m. He requested a campus mini-market, but was flatly refused because of adverse community business pressure. Watson was the first to begin investigation into a free legal aid system for MTSU students, a system which has not yet been instituted even though Dodd, too, has tried to bring it here.

Tim Watson also ran the gamut of scores of ASB senators and representatives, all of whom proved hostile to him and his administration for the simple reason that he did not wear a Greek sweatshirt or mumble crazily about little sissies and big bubbas. Mr. Watson tried, my friends, he was simply no match for the "status quo, smile big and keep quiet" element which controls student policy-making here.

Blow your hot air at the student-financed ASB banquet if you wish, but have the common decency to refrain from gutless, ill-motivated assaults on someone who did the best job he could for the people who elected him.

Wayne Hudgens
box 4041

Token of a JOURNAL Radical.....

Today's column I am gonna try and say hello to most my friends, if I miss you: well SORRY.

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Sort of homey ain't it? Well, just remember it when I stop laughing. I'll probably get carried away. Sincerely, Jan Ellis Jr.

Letters

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Students fly coop, soak up sounds and rays



It wasn't Woodstock, but Thursday afternoon's concert in front of the University Center was a good opportunity for MTSU students cooped up all winter to break out and sample some good sounds and summer weather.

While the band churned out music, people and animals alike shared the sun and dabbled in a variety of activities, including catching up on homework, staring at the sky, tending the favorite pet, talking and just walking around.

There wasn't any bathing in the nude (although a streaker or two put in a n appearance) and the rumors of beer drinking and pot smoking were greatly exaggerated. Nevertheless, a good time was had by all.



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'White only' grant legal?

by Bill Mason

Information regarding the legality of a requirement that a student be a "white caucasian" to receive a \$500 scholarship to attend MTSU is not available, according to Lynn Haston, vice president for administrative affairs.

Haston, a former counsel for the State Board of Regents, said he has been unable to find a precedent or state policy regarding such restrictions on the awarding of private scholarship funds.

The "Mary R. Goss Scholarship" carries an annual award of \$500 to be paid in two equal installments of \$250 each at the beginning of the fall and spring semesters.

In awarding the scholarship grant, university officials are required to give preference to students from Bedford County majoring in music.

Financial Aid Director Winston Wrenn said a difference "probably" exists between scholarships awarded from private and state sources.

Title VI of the Civil Rights Acts of 1964 states: "No person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color or national origin be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance."

MTSU is subject to this law, but Wrenn and Haston said they are unsure if anti-discrimination laws apply to scholarships granted from private funds.

Unpack that suitcase!

Today

Blood drive: 9 a.m.-3 p.m., UC 318, 322-A, B, C and 324-A, B, C

Film festival: cartoons, 12:30 p.m., UC theatre

Traffic court: 3 p.m., UC 306

Meeting: Triton Club, 6 p.m., swimming pool

Meeting: MTSU Criminal Justice Association, 3:30 p.m., UC 305

Tutoring: 7 p.m., UC 310, sponsored by residence hall programming

Concert and sight-reading festival: 1 p.m., Tennessee Room, dining room A and B, general lounge, SUB

Meeting: Weight Off Club, 8 p.m., AM dance studio

Wednesday, April 23

Secretarial coffee: 9 a.m., dining room C, SUB

Film festival: cartoons, 12:30 p.m., UC theatre

Reception: introducing new foreign students' adviser, 3:30-5 p.m., UC 324-A, B, C

Track: MTSU-Tennessee Tech, 5:30 p.m., Jones Field track

Picnic: for underprivileged children, 4 p.m., picnic area, sponsored by Kappa Alpha Psi

Film festival: "Those Magnificent Men in Their Flying Machines," 6 and 8 p.m., UC theatre

Thursday, April 24

Baseball: MTSU-David Lipscomb, 3 p.m., baseball field

Workshop: Early Childhood Education, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., third floor, UC, sponsored by continuing education

Concert and sight-reading festival: 8 a.m.-12 noon and 1-5:30 p.m., Tennessee Room, dining room A and B, general lounge, SUB

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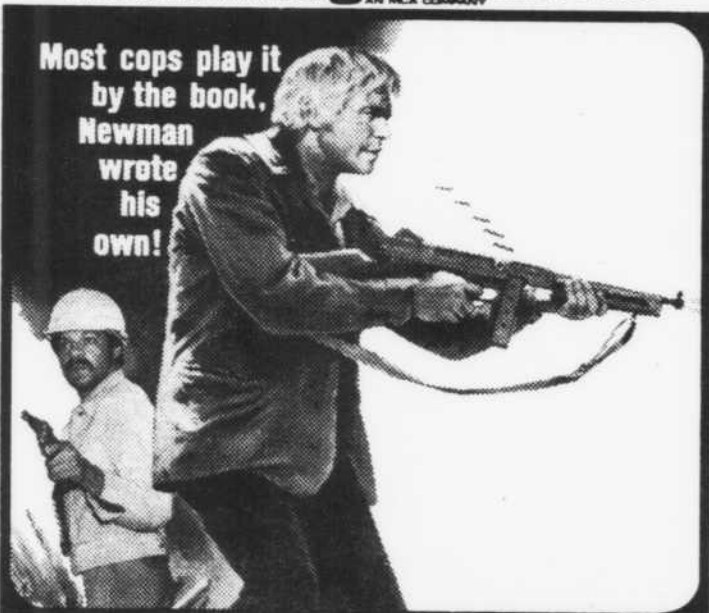
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Except for certain specific awards, candidates may not hold a Ph.D. at the time of application, and are ineligible for a grant to a country if they have been enrolled in a university or doing research in that country during the academic year 1975-76.

Creative and performing artists are not required to have a bachelor's degree, but must have four years of professional study or equivalent experience.

The purpose of these grants is to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and other countries through the exchange of persons, knowledge and skills, Porter said.

T. Coy Porter, MTSU advisor for the Fulbright program, said recently that about 550 awards will be given in 50 countries for 1976-77.

Applicants must be U.S. citizens at the time of application who will generally hold a bachelor's degree or its equivalent before the beginning date of the grant and, in most cases, be proficient in the language of the host country.

Panel requests student input

by Scott Perry

A joint student-administration committee investigating the activities of the Special Events Committee yesterday appealed to the student body for "input into the committee."

Ivan Shewmake, assistant dean of students and chairman of the investigating committee, said that anyone wishing to express his opinion "or air a gripe should contact the committee."

Students should mail their solutions or opinions through campus mail to the ASB post office box 1.

Shewmake stressed the importance of publicity for the committee. "We are hoping all the works of the committee will be published so students will know what we are doing," Shewmake said. He added that the committee will "be compiling information" this summer.

The investigation committee was formed after an ASB resolution asked that a panel be appointed to look into the Special Events Committee. Resolution sponsors Richard Langford and Jeff Combos said that a large number of students had expressed dissatisfaction with the committee.

Thefts hurt Saga service

Theft at the food service facilities is Saga's hardest problem to control, according to director Dick Deheck.

Deheck said food theft is the major problem at high rise cafeteria, which has the "all you want to eat" policy.

"We have to put down a law somewhere," Deheck said, "so the meal card clearly states that all food must be consumed in the dining room."

Students may feel they're entitled to the extra food, he said, but they should realize the stipulations before they purchase the meal ticket.

Deheck said the grill's largest thefts are of china and silverware.

The grill is now using plastic silverware to guard against so much theft, Deheck said, and as a result, there are complaints about the service.

Debate will highlight Parks Law Day

A debate of "The Constitution vs. the University" will highlight the annual Norman L. Parks Law Day at 1 p.m. Thursday in room 322 of the University Center.


Nashville Attorney Charles Ray, who was a leader in the attempt to establish a legal aid sys-

tem at MTSU, will debate Assistant Atty. Gen. Henry Haile on possible conflicts between the U.S. Constitution and university regulations.

Preceding the debate will be an address at 11 a.m. by local attorney Ben Hall McFarlin, Jr., on

public defense and plea bargaining in Murfreesboro and a speech at 12 noon by political science professor Norman Parks for whom the Law Day is named. McFarlin and Parks will also speak in UC 322. The event is sponsored by the MTSU Pre-Law Society and is open to the public.

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SPORTS

Four wrestlers qualify for national tournament

Four Blue Raiders wrestled their way to first place in Saturday's semi-final competition in the National AAU Junior World Tournament, held at Murphy Center.

Pat Simpson, Tommy Smith, David Scott and Mike Hooker all won in their respective weight divisions, and qualified to represent MTSU at the AAU finals in Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn., sometime this summer.

Winners of this meet will travel to Bulgaria to wrestle.

Raider nine whip Western

by Chuck Cavalaris

By virtue of splitting a twinbill with the Kentucky Wesleyan Panthers and downing the Western Kentucky Hilltoppers, the baseball Raiders hiked their season mark to 22-14 in preparation for the last home game of the season against David Lipscomb at 3 p.m. Thursday.

MTSU split the doubleheader with Kentucky Wesleyan Sunday by winning the opening contest 3-2, before dropping the second game 4-0.

Randy Darnell, filling in for an injured Denton Peters, laced a second inning, inches fair double down the rightfield line to score Gary Melson and tie the game in the second inning.

After the Panthers had scored once in the sixth, the MTSU diamond men rallied to score twice in the seventh inning behind one hit batter and three consecutive walks.

Gary Melson fired a one-hitter and fanned nine to gain the mound decision. In his last 14 innings the blazingly fast right-hander has allowed five hits while striking out 18 in giving up but one earned run. Kentucky Wesleyan managed but two hits off loser Randy Liendecker in the second game, but five walks and two costly errors played a major role in the scoring of three of the four Panther runs.

Although collecting six hits, the Raiders failed to produce the clutch hit while stranding ten runners on base.

Danny Neal went the nine-inning distance in the Raiders' win over Western Kentucky Saturday, permitting eight hits while whiffing 13, to gain the mound decision.

Denton Peters and Tony Richardson paced a twelve hit attack with three singles apiece.

MTSU wrestling coach Gordon Connell said Hooker and Simpson might not make the trip to Minnesota because of conflicting interests.

Blue to face UT

In an effort to bounce back from a 9-0 shellacking by Vanderbilt, the Lady Raiders will travel to Knoxville to face the University of Tennessee at Knoxville at 2 p.m. today.

Coach Sue Stanley stated that today's competition "should prove to be the toughest match of the year." MTSU, 6-6 on the season, will be depending on the doubles teams for support in the UT-K match, according to Stanley.

The Lady Raiders will go against Tennessee Tech in Cookeville tomorrow. Stanley is hoping that third-seeded Sandy McMillian, returning from an injury, can fill in for Lynn Burklow who will be sidelined the rest of the season with 'tennis' elbow.

Netters sweep by Morehead, trounce Eastern Kentucky

by Mark Barebo

MTSU's Blue Raider tennis squad ran their OVC record to 5-1 this past weekend in Clarksville by downing Morehead 7-2 Friday, and swamping Eastern Kentucky 8-1 Saturday.

The Blue Raiders, 15-2 overall this season, were led by Doug Baxter, Neal Barnard, Bob Butterfield, Geoff Cilchrist, Doug Miedaner, and Peetri Pihko, all of whom went undefeated in singles action. Lasse Durchman suffered the only singles loss of the weekend.

In doubles play, the Gilchrist-Butterfield and Barnard-Clyde Smithwick teams chalked up two wins while the Durchman-Baxter combo dropped a pair of matches.

MTSU will host Austin Peay

Golfers place second in TIC

MTSU's golf team placed second in the university division of the Tennessee Intercollegiate Golf Championships last weekend at Sewanee.

East Tennessee State University finished first in the event with a team total of 580. ETSU's total was 23 strokes less than runner-up MTSU's final 603. Austin Peay finished one shot out of

State University Saturday at 1 p.m. in the final OVC match of the year. In order to take the OVC title the Raiders will "have to play really well," according to coach Larry Castle.



Doug Miedaner

second at 604 and Tennessee Tech placed fourth at 607.

ETSU's Bill Rislove fired a 141 to lead his team to victory. Rislove's score earned him top individual honors also.

The Raiders will play in the Chris Schenkel Invitational Thursday through Sunday at Statesboro, Ga.



Baseball field lacks spirit, tradition

by Chuck Cavalaris

In the solitude at the official scorer's table after Monday's cancellation of the Belmont game, the empty surroundings reflected a senselessly dreadful image of the game of baseball. Even when a game is being played, however, several ingredients have been forgotten.

The spirit and tradition of MTSU baseball have been smothered in what appears to be

an attempt to save a few dollars in the athletic budget.

As each home game begins without the playing of the traditional game-starting National Anthem, the lack of a public address system is noticeable.

But when an unnamed Raider approaches the batter's box, identified only by the number on his uniform, the absence of such a system is obvious.

"When we were on our season-

opening trip to Louisiana," coach John Stanford said, "just about every team we played had a PA system, as do some OVC schools. It really added a lot to the games from the players' standpoint, but it also increased spectator involvement.

Another ingredient necessary to the successful presentation of the game is supplying spectator services. One method of doing this has been to provide a concession stand.

Just about any sports fan will concede that a hot dog and a ball game seem to complement each other tremendously well.

It seems natural to assume that over the course of a nine-inning game some fans will become hungry, but the nearest "concession stand" at Raider baseball games is the cafeteria at High-Rise West.

The main hindrance here is that they serve hot dogs only once a week and disapprove of carrying food from the building.

"The games are usually interesting to watch," offers one fan, "but sometimes it gets pretty hot sitting in the bleachers, and you need something to eat or drink. What else can you do but leave?"

Eating and drinking also can lead to the calls of Mother Nature, and you're left out in that department, too.

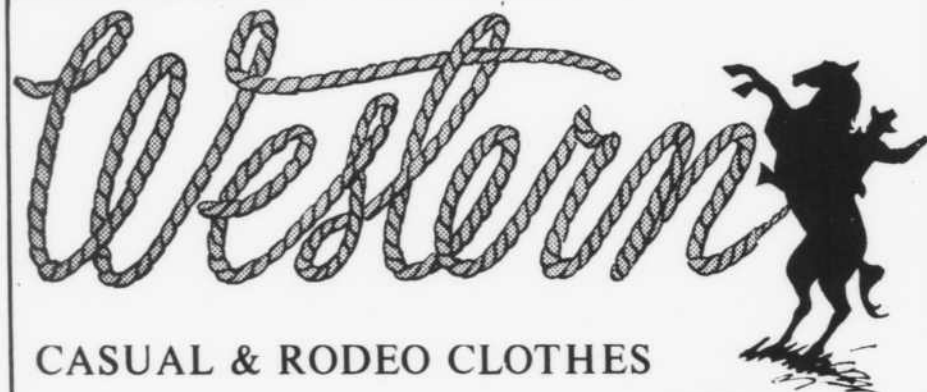
The final insult seems to be the most easily correctable since it would not cost any money to amend. As of this moment, the very field on which the Raiders play remains unnamed.

Sometimes it is rather imaginatively referred to as "the Raider baseball field," but this title is not the official name of the park.

Of the local citizens who have passed away in the past 100 years, surely one could be found who was worthy enough to name the park after.

The playing field and bleachers are excellent, but in themselves they are not enough to bring out fans. The result is that excellent athletes display their talents under shabby conditions that are an insult to the collegiate game.

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Woodpeckin'

by Tom Wood
Sports Editor

know that Earle was offered the head coaching job at New Mexico State.

You also know that he reportedly was offered almost twice as much money, although Earle says the \$30,000 figure is slightly exaggerated.

And you also know by now that Earle has declined the gracious

offer made by the Missouri Valley Conference school.

Earle returned from Las Cruces, N.M., Friday and announced his decision Saturday night at a high school banquet in Cleveland, Tenn., where he was a guest speaker.

At the same banquet, however, Earle did not rule out the possibility of eventually leaving MTSU for a bigger school.

While almost all heights in OVC basketball have been reached by Earle and his staff, and there is little left to accomplish, I think I speak for all students when I say, "Welcome home, Jimmy."

—Cutbacks threaten OVC—

Cutbacks in OVC scholarships, while necessary, are for the birds.

I realize the two statements contradict each other, but an analogy can be drawn to the little boy who has to take castor oil to get well. If he doesn't take

the medicine, he is going to get sicker and sicker until he dries up and blows away.

College athletics, particularly small-college athletics, is in trouble. Your small state universities and colleges are just the first to find out, but eventually the news will spread to the big schools.

MTSU, with an athletic budget in the neighborhood of a half-million dollars, will not be able

to survive the rising equipment costs and travel expenditures for very long.

And what is going to happen to schools like UCLA and Michigan, with athletic budgets of \$3 million to \$4 million?

For what it's worth, I predict they will form one huge athletic conference in which members will be able to afford the spiraling costs of "amateur" sports.



Sue Hearn photo

Winners in the foosball, air hockey and nine ball pool tournaments in the UC games room are (L-R) Bob Renegar, first in nine ball, Mike Hudson, second in air hockey and foosball with his partner Rick McCraney (not shown), Dane Hale, second in air hockey, David Vaughn, first in foosball with his partner Chip McGhee (not shown) and David Percy, first in air hockey.

Thinclads fall to Racers

by Tom Wood

Tennessee Tech's Golden Eagle tracksters will meet coach Dean Hayes' thinclads today at 5:30 p.m. at the MTSU track as the Raiders will try to get back on the winning side following a 86-55 loss to the Murray Racers.

The javelin competition will begin at 5:30 p.m., with other field events starting at 6 p.m. All running events will get underway at 6:30 p.m.

MTSU captured first place in eight events compared to Murray's nine, but the Racers picked up more second- and third-place finishes for the difference.

It was the first dual meet loss for MTSU in over two years, and dropped the Raider's record to 2-1 with second and third-place finishes in two quadrangular meets.

John Johnson, undefeated in quarter-mile competition, took first in the 880-yard dash again with a time of 48.1 seconds. Johnson was also first in the 220-yard-dash, breaking the tape in 22 seconds.

Harrison Salami scored wins in the javelin and the discus with distances of 173-7 feet and 164-4.5 feet, respectively.

Henry Kennedy and Russell Holloway scored wins in the 100-yard dash and the 440-intermediate hurdles, with times of 10- and 54.3 seconds, while Charles Hollis leaped to a distance of 49-11 feet in the triple jump.

The mile relay team, consisting of Bill Moore, Ronnie Robinson, Larry Cotton and Cliff Cook, also won with a time of 3:19.9 minutes.



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- 5- New Style Double Zipper Jeans
- 6- Brushed Denim Jeans
- 7- Navy Style Flair Leg Jeans
- 8- Button Front Jeans

WESTERN SHIRTS LONG & SHORT SLEEVE—GUYS & GALS