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Mead attacks American food aid policy

by Lisa Marchesoni

One half of the food aid shipped overseas is wasted because the U.S. Department of Agriculture is more interested in business than in helping people, anthropologist and author Margaret Mead said here Wednesday night.

"The idea that food is used to feed people is very unacceptable to our department of agriculture

today," Mead claimed.

Speaking as part of a symposium on environmental insights, Mead said, "I don't like the way our department of agriculture has changed to a department that doesn't care about people, but cares about agribusiness."

The administration of the food program should be transferred

to the Health, Education and Welfare Department (HEW) "where they still care about people," she advised.

"Fifty per cent of the food is wasted and lost in storage and transportation," Mead criticized. The large food waste exists where there are few women in government, she pointed out.

Americans must have a concern for nutrition, food production and the process "where food is sent around the world three or four times before it ever gets there," the anthropologist said.

After World War II, Americans thought that if everyone had electric light, bathtubs and automobiles the world would be in good shape, Mead said. During the sixties, Americans realized the program wasn't working, she pointed out.

"Instead of countries getting more like us, countries were actually getting poorer," Mead explained.

Among the powerful countries, the belief existed that "if we could spread public health, lower the infant mortality rate, introduce literacy and have internal combustion, everyone would be happy," Mead said. "Finally, we realized we couldn't be duplicated."

"A characteristic of Americans in the fifties and early sixties was that nobody could count," she charged. "With the population doubling every 25 years, the realization came fast."

Concerning birth control, Mead said the United States thought it could effect worldwide planned parenthood by "raining contraceptives."

"But we found out that raining contraceptives wasn't going to do anything," she pointed out.

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Water pollution not virus cause

by Robin Freeman

Health officials for MTSU, Murfreesboro and Tennessee agree the cause of the recent virus to hit this area is not polluted water.

Water supplies for Murfreesboro and MTSU were tested by officials of the Tennessee Sanitary Engineering Department in Nashville and the Rutherford County Quality Control Center. Both agencies reported negative findings concerning bacteria counts in the water.

"Everything is alright," Luke Hendrix, a chemist at the control center, said yesterday. "We can't check for virus, but we did check for bacteria, and none were present."

City and campus water supplies were checked by state engineers Tuesday afternoon, Hendrix said. "If anything was wrong, we would have heard from them (state) by now. They

checked more on campus than they did in the city."

Bob Threadgill, spokesman for the Sanitary Engineering Department in Nashville said the virus was not from the water.

"We found nothing in the water to indicate a virus. It is probably just one of those 24-hour things because it is statewide," he said.

Other colleges including Tennessee Technological University in Cookeville, University of Tennessee in Knoxville and campuses in Nashville, have also been hit by the virus, Threadgill added.

Students reporting to the MTSU health clinic with virus symptoms averaged 100 per day for a week, according to Head Nurse Barbara Martin. "The cause is not the water. Dr. Hackman thought it was an intestinal virus all along, and until the final

report is in, we will continue to treat it as such," she added.

Martin explained that reports kept on the cases indicated nothing about the source of the virus. "We were trying to find out if there was one dorm or one cafeteria responsible for the sickness, but the reports showed nothing significant," she added.

The caseload at the clinic has slowed down, Martin said, but "students are still coming in with the symptoms."

Symptoms include stomach cramps and a loose stool, with fever and vomiting in more severe cases, according to Polly Buckner, head nurse at the Rutherford County Health Department.

Caseloads at health clinics around the city have slacked up a bit, Buckner said.

LaLance vetos ASB request for off-campus group spot

An ASB resolution to provide a permanent spot on the second floor of the University Center for use by any off-campus organization was vetoed Monday by Robert LaLance, acting vice president for student affairs.

The resolution, passed by acclamation by both houses of the ASB legislature, called for a reserved area between the grill and the lounge "for the controlled presence of any off-campus organization in an easy access position."

LaLance suggested in a memorandum responding to the bill that the ASB might schedule rooms and auditoriums currently provided for such purposes.

To set up tables outside the grill could "interfere with the easy flow of traffic," LaLance said.

Responding to LaLance's memorandum, ASB Rep. Tom Wells, who sponsored the bill, said that by denying the students this educational opportunity the administration is not acting in the best interests of the students.

Pointing out that the stated purpose of the bill is to facilitate the "exposure of students to information and views foreign" to them, Wells said "I think the administration is scared of students that think."



Governor Ray Blanton is seen here after signing the new student regent bill into law. Shown with Blanton are Rep. Bill Kollar, D-Madisonville (extreme left), sponsor of the bill in the house; three student government presidents from the state; and Rep. John Bragg, D-Murfreesboro, a major supporter of the legislation. For more details, see page five.

Anthropologist urges acceptance of shortages

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"We are reassessing what needs to be done by the United States and its relation to the world," Mead said. "All we have to do is save the energy we waste, and we would have all we need."

The United States is the standard setter for the world due to its technology, she said. "In the 1950's, a family with a station wagon full of children falling out every window was prevalent in America. This became the idea for the rest of the world as the elite had lots of children."

Every additional child puts a strain on irreplaceable resources, Mead said. "But the hardest thing for a young American to realize is scarcity. When one grows up in an unlim-



Margaret Mead

ited world, it is a shock to realize shortages.

"The principal use of food is to feed people, but we are using our food supply as an economic weapon," Mead charged. "But we have countries where the food is destroyed."

A popular myth exists that "America fed the world," she said. "We never did feed the world, but we were only food ban-

kers of the world for emergencies."

Between wars, Americans prevented major famines with surplus grain supplies, she said. "This year, we could prevent famine if we have money. But in the future, we must have drastic changes."

"Today, we must think of the world in limited supplies," Mead

said. "There are too many people in the wrong places and too many children for adults to care for."

Managing the food supply will be a tremendous challenge in the future, Mead predicted. "But while we have the food, we should share our supply with world. All nations must share this sense of responsibility."

Expert says America resented abroad

by Rick Edmondson

Americans have been encouraged to be consumers and wasters, and people across the world are beginning to resent that we have so much, W. M. Roberts said here Wednesday.

Chairman of the department of food science at North Carolina State University, Roberts was one of three featured speakers for a symposium on environmental insights.

"These problems are not going to go away without some kind of positive action," Roberts said.

"People in the third world countries want to live like we do," the food expert said, but "it's obvious that everybody in the world cannot have the standard of living we have."

Roberts lambasted the developing nations who have criticized the United States for its role in the world food problem. "The thing that hit us the hardest was their recently telling us at the World Food Conference in

Rome to quit driving cars," he said.

"Many other countries are trying to saddle us with the blame," Roberts said.

The food expert said other countries accuse "the big U.S." of exploiting them economically. "But I challenge you to find a system in the world that has done so much for so many," Roberts said.

"They (developing nations) believe we owe them reparations," Roberts pointed out, adding that communist and socialist nations "have tried and found us guilty."

The United States should help people in other countries develop their own food supplies rather than give them food, Roberts said, because "giving them food, except in emergency situations, discourages self help."

The world's population is increasing at about 75 million persons each year, Roberts said, adding that this country is nearing "a crisis population" because



William Roberts

about 4 per cent of our citizens are feeding the rest.

The United States is faced not just with the problem of food production, but also food distribution among large, concentrated inner-city populations where many people do not have enough money to buy it, Roberts said.

The food expert said it is "shocking" that 38.6 million people in this country are eligible for food stamps.

Injury to GDI halts hat chase

Sigma Chi Derby Week activities were brought to a temporary halt yesterday when Debbie Kerr, Nashville freshmen, suffered a severe muscle sprain while involved in the "derby chase."

The chase involves fraternity members wearing little felt derbies attempting to avoid having the hats taken away by a large group of sorority members. Kerr is a member of the "GDI" team competing in the Derby Week activities.

Steve Rice, 1975 Derby Daddy, said the accident would not affect the activities during the rest of the week, although the incident did end the derby chase for the rest of the day.

Kerr was taken to the Rutherford Hospital emergency room, treated and released late in the afternoon.

Parents must control growth--speaker

by Rick Edmondson

Decisions to regulate human population must be made on an individual, parental level, James Tanner said here Wednesday.

Tanner, director of the graduate program in ecology at the University of Tennessee was one of three speakers for a symposium on environmental insights.

"These decisions are ethical decisions which we haven't worried about before," Tanner said.

Americans live in a vast "extended family," Tanner said, utilizing the welfare and food stamp programs as examples of his concept.

'Group' sets retreat

The Group, a nondenominational student organization, will sponsor a retreat April 18-20 at Union Hill.

Tom and Joanne Petersburg from the Vanderbilt Campus Crusade will speak. The theme of the retreat will be "How To Prepare Spiritually For Summer."

Cost will be \$8.50 per person.

"We are spreading our resources around," Tanner said. "Today the limits of our resources are hard to see. We are only aware that prices are going up."

Tanner said the benefits of small families are healthier children and closer parental contact with those children.

Although the country's birth rate is falling, this does not mean population is likely to decline, the ecology expert said, pointing to historical population growth as evidence of this.

In 1600, doubling time (the time needed for a population to double) was around 1,000. Tanner said. By 1900, this had reduced to 70; and by 1968, doubling time was 40, he said.

"Animal populations appear to be more regulated than human populations," Tanner said, adding that predators, disease and stress due to crowding are reasons for this.

Human birth control methods are adequate, but not ideal, Tanner said.



James Tanner

"There will be a cessation of population growth with or without peace," he said. "It's up to us to determine how."

Tanner explained the required changes must occur in our "social ethics."

"We realize the necessity to control world population, but there are others who don't," Tanner said.

Acid, pot corner area drug trade--dealers

This article is the first in a series on the campus drug scene.

by Michael Gigandet and Rick Edmondson

A breeze blows calmly through a torn screen in the small off-campus apartment as four MTSU students sit around a table eating stew.

The conversation is light — almost nonchalant — but it soon drifts to dope. But that's really not unusual in this apartment because the four students are dope dealers.

Although they're not big-time dealers, two of them scored (bought) 200 hits of acid (LSD) this week for \$160 and they're selling it for \$2 a hit (one dose).

Editor's note: This interview with four campus drug dealers is intended to place in perspective the size and operation of the campus drug scene. Names of the students in this article have been changed to protect the confidentiality of news sources.

They look like anyone you would see on campus, maybe the student sitting next to you in class or the guy with the mailbox next to yours.

"A lot of people on campus that don't smoke pot are at least aware of what's going on. I bet everybody on campus could get a bag within a week," Eddie said as he passed a joint to his right. "It's there if you want to take it."

They all agree that Murfreesboro is in a "dry spell" (scarcity of pot).

"Chattanooga is real dry," Jeff interjected.

Fidgeting nervously with the joint between his fingers, Bill added, "Yeah, well 180 people just got busted in Chattanooga, that's why it's dry."

Eddie boasted, "In normal time I can get you a pound anytime you want it. It's not dry for acid. I can get you all the acid you want."

Pot isn't a profit item on the campus drug scene, according to these students. They score a load and then disseminate it through an intricate network of what they call "connections" or friends.

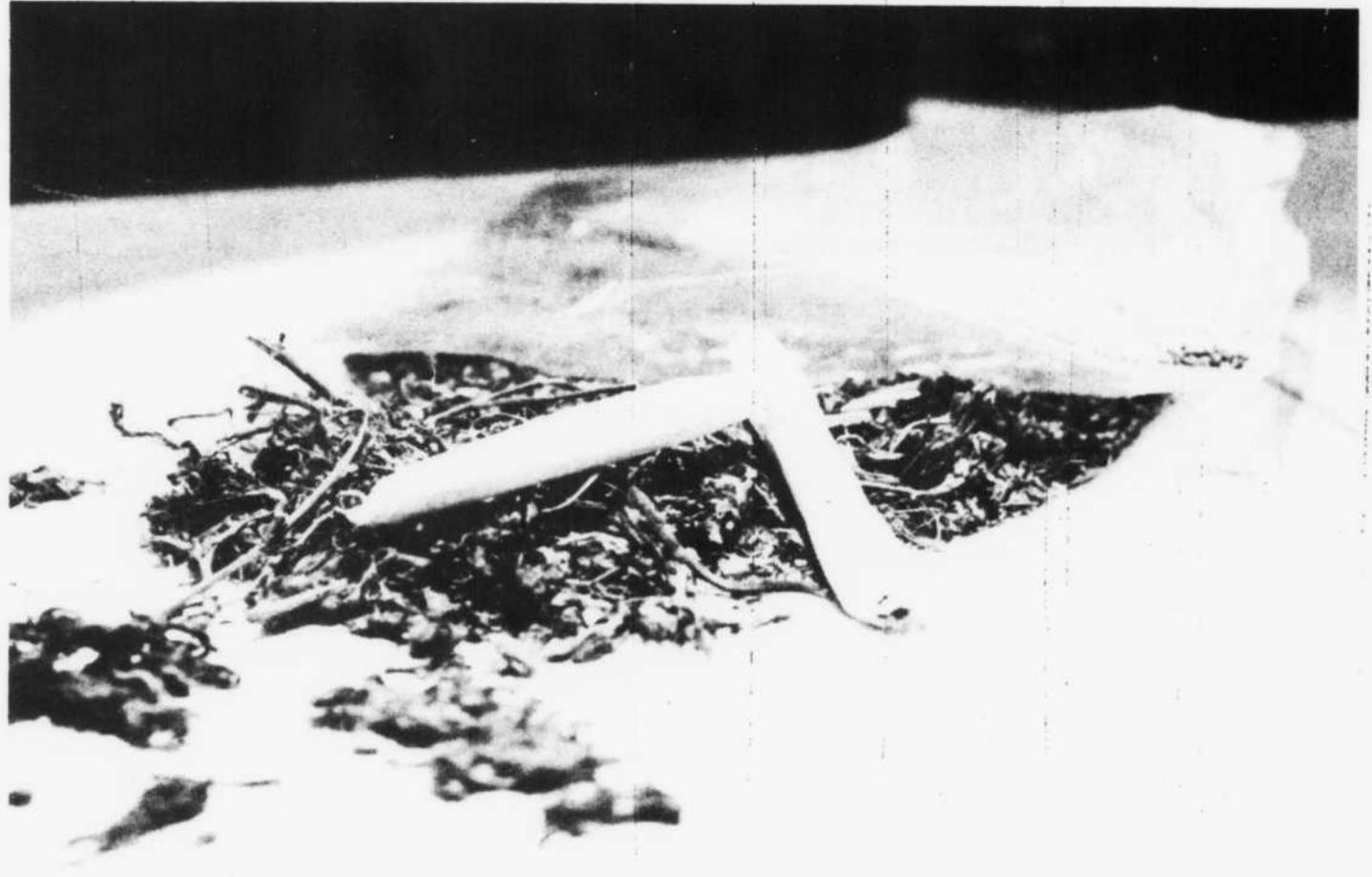
Connections then disseminate the pot down to users, thus completing the chain.

"Everybody has got connections and everybody knows somebody. It's a grapevine thing. It's real informal," Bill explained as he relit the joint with a match.

Building a grapevine of connections is not really all that difficult, it just takes time to establish your friends, he added.

Once the connections are made, each person in the vine helps each other score, the dealers said.

"Whenever you deal in drugs, you're always on the lookout for



Although Murfreesboro is supposedly suffering a shortage of marijuana, things could be worse.

Chattanooga is having a "dry spell" of drought proportions due to an increase in arrests.

another connection," Tim explained. "In the long run it keeps you from coming up short."

Buying in large quantities, these dealers are the last major links in a chain that filters drugs into the MTSU market.

"We don't buy or sell pot for profit," they agreed. "Profit on the pot is incidental."

Although the sale of pot is occasionally profitable, the dealers usually make only enough to keep them supplied with what they themselves smoke.

"The people we're buying pounds from are making the money," Eddie said, adding that he recently smoked pot with a guy who was busted in Atlanta for possession of 300 pounds.

Passing the joint to Bill, Jeff said, "Chemicals (acid, mescaline, THC, etc.) are more of a profit especially if the chemicals are hard to get. Pot is almost all there is on campus."

"I don't think chemicals are as big except in spells. There is a lot of cocaine but nobody can afford it," he pointed out.

"When I buy a 100 hits of acid, I usually sell 40 or 50 and eat the rest," Eddie continued.

When dealing acid, they agreed, "you go a little bit quieter" to your trusted friends because chemicals are not as "socially acceptable" as pot.

In the campus drug scene, pot is accepted much like beer while chemicals still carry the mixed drink stigma, Eddie said.

Acid runs in "spurts" maybe once or twice a semester, he added.

"You're looking for pot, but you'll take whatever. When you think of drugs and marijuana, they all go down the same circuit (chain)," he explained.

The dealers agreed that selling drugs is not dangerous as long as you deal within a circle of trusted friends.

As the joint makes its third round, they seemed to become more at ease.

"We're doing a trick just going to school — they ought to leave us alone. We can't get a job so they just ought to leave us alone," Bill chortled.

City police really aren't interested in busting big-time dealers, the dealers claimed. The cops only want to bust small time users to get it on their record and show that they are doing their job, they charged.

"They really don't give a god-damn. If I got busted by the vice squad I'd feel cheated," Bill quipped.

"I don't think you'll see an

arrest in Murfreesboro for more than a couple of pounds because (Murfreesboro Det. Lt. Luther), Avent's so stupid, and the campus police don't have the ability to be corrupt," he joked.

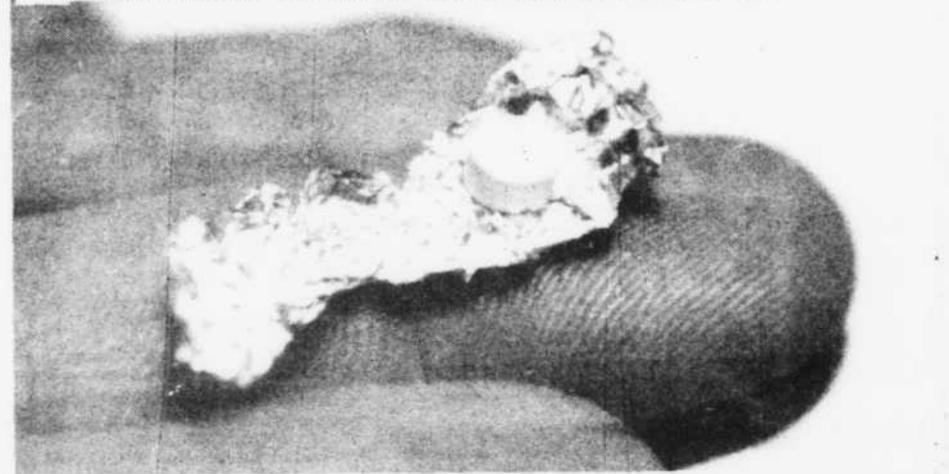
"Yeah, most of them are just guys you know," someone says.

Although there is an occasional scare of narcs (informants) on campus, they're really not much of a problem, they agreed.

"If anybody knew a narc then everybody would know him, and he wouldn't be effective. However, I don't think he would be killed or anything outrageous like that," Jeff said half-jokingly as he brought a small glass pipe containing a joint up to his mouth.

"The only problem is a narc getting in your ring of friends," Bill said uneasily.

Conversation began to dwindle and drift to other things. It really didn't matter. Margaret Mead was speaking in the D.A. It was time for them to go.



"Hits" of acid (also known as LSD) and marijuana are the two "staples" of the drug user today, according to several dealers.

Charles Steed photos

Ex-prof declared pauper

by Phil West

A former MTSU sociology professor has been declared a pauper in order to appeal a sex discrimination suit she lost in a Nashville federal court in February.

Rita Decker-Gregg, who was not rehired for the 1974-75 school year, originally filed the suit last year charging the university did not rehire her because of her speeches attacking alleged sex discrimination at MTSU.

U.S. District Court Judge L. Clure Morton ruled March 25 that Decker-Gregg can appeal the case at taxpayers' expense despite state attorney general's objection that she "is not a pauper" because she owns a 1970 Cadillac and has more than \$3,000 in savings accounts.

W.A. Moody, a Nashville attorney for Decker-Gregg, said yesterday he will appeal the case to the sixth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati, Ohio.

"It will take a couple of months to get transcripts of the case before we can file," Moody said. "Then it will probably be another

four months before the case will be heard."

Moody pointed out that the pauper status means Decker-Gregg will not be liable to pay court costs.

Decker-Gregg claimed that she was not rehired after calling attention to what she called the university's policy of discriminating against female faculty members in salaries, promotions, rank and tenure.

Decker-Gregg further charged unnamed professors with sexual misconduct. She testified last year that a professor "was selling grades for sex," adding that the professor's wife "was procuring for her husband."

Decker-Gregg testified James McBroom, acting sociology department chairman at the time, "did nothing" when she complained about the faculty members and about an administrator who made a "pass" at her. She said that when she rejected the overture, she was told "I would never get anything from the university."



Imagine the surprise the residents of J and K dorms must have felt when they discovered they weren't supposed to park next to the dorm. Apparently the blue sign was accidentally placed in front of the green parking lot. Tim Hamilton photo

Scarlett lawsuit pending, sources

A lawsuit is pending against President M. G. Scarlett as a result of an automobile accident March 4 in which he allegedly verbally assaulted the driver of the second car, according to reliable sources.

Scarlett had pulled up to the intersection of E. Main Street and the Campus Loop and was preparing to exit when his auto bumped into a 1969 Volkswagen, an MTSU security report indicated.

Damage to the fender of

the second car, driven by Jeane Bratcher of Murfreesboro, was estimated at less than \$200 by MTSU patrolman Dan Hicks III.

After the collision, Scarlett allegedly used abusive language against the woman.

The officer's report stated that the accident occurred at 2:10 p.m. No one was charged or ticketed.

Several reliable sources were willing to talk about the case yesterday but refused to say anything for attribution.

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Governor signs student regent, education bills

by Charlotte Crowder
TCPA Correspondent

NASHVILLE — Gov. Ray Blanton Tuesday signed a bill placing a student on the Board of Regents, and a number of other education-oriented bills were introduced in the General Assembly last week.

The regents bill provides the selection process recommended by the Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature.

The student body presidents of all regents schools will meet once a year to select three nominees for the governor's approval. One nominee must be from the community college system, one from the regional university system and one from either system, but not from the same school as either of the others.

Bills were introduced Monday night in the house and senate to add two members to the UT Board of Trustees. One would be from Davidson County, and one would be a trustee at-large.

Sen. Ed Blank (D-Columbia) introduced the bill in the senate, and Rep. Stanley Rogers (D-Manchester) is its house sponsor.

The legislation was proposed by the Blanton administration, with the intent that at least one of the new trustees will be black.

Some legislators are opposed to the bill, which is a continuation of a series of Blanton bills giving him the power to make a large number of new appointments.

During his four-year term, Blanton will fill a total of six vacancies on the UT board through expiration of terms, and this bill would bring that total to eight.

Wednesday afternoon, the house approved a bill giving Blanton the power to re-name members of the State Board of Education, but the Senate Education Committee voted Tuesday not to pass the same bill out of its committee. Therefore, its becoming law is doubtful.

That bill changed the present nine-year terms to four-year terms and removed the executive director of the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC). It also provided that all members would be removed, and Blanton would appoint a new board. After that, each governor would have a maximum of three appointments during his term.

Rep. Larry Bates (D-Martin) introduced a bill in the house Monday night which would set up areas around Tennessee for reciprocal in-state tuition rates.

This bill would authorize THEC to establish "economic subregions" in areas surrounding

higher education institutions, allowing students in those subregions to be classified as in-state students for tuition purposes. Institutions in the subregions would have to reciprocate and allow Tennessee students to attend their schools for their in-state rate.

In past years, bills like this have failed, primarily because they sought to include too large an area and would have had a bad fiscal impact on Tennessee. One bill dealt with Kentucky, and one dealt with all areas within a 50-mile radius of the state.

Bates said his plan allowing THEC to set up subregions will assure a more equitable system.

His bill sets up criteria to be used in defining "economic subregions" including the amount of state revenues Tennessee gets through gas, sales and other taxes collected from people in the subregion, size of the institutions involved, number of students usually attending and other data.

If the bill passes, THEC would have to set up the economic subregions by Sept. 1, 1975, for the 1975-76 school year.

So far, the bill hasn't been introduced in the senate, but Bates said he expects Sen. Milton Hamilton (D-Union City) to do so this week.

In other legislative action, a no-fault divorce bill cleared the House Judiciary Committee Tuesday.

Sponsored by Rep. Keith Bissell (D-Oak Ridge), it adds "irreconcilable differences" to the grounds for divorce.

Since the judge would not have to assess guilt under the new grounds; alimony and child support would be based on need and ability to pay.

A furor was touched off in the senate Wednesday during the debate on the repeal of "fair trade," or price-fixing, laws on liquor.

Sen. James White (D-Memphis), sponsor of the repeal bill, said two of his colleagues had been offered large sums of money to vote against the bill. White said the men told him of the offer, but told him they still would support his bill.

White has refused to name the two, but Lt. Gov. John Wilder (D-Mason) named a committee to investigate the charges.

The liquor lobby has been prominent on Capitol Hill throughout the session.

Sen. James Robertson (D-Nashville) voted against the repeal bill, and in his remarks before the vote charged White with making a deal to get support for his bill.

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Student affairs VP hopefuls cut to 3

A search for a new vice president for student affairs here has narrowed to three men.

John Hood, assistant to university President M.G. Scarlett, said the three men under consideration are Robert LaLance, Glenn W. Stillion and Jerry Wilder.

The position was vacated earlier this semester upon Harry Wagner's appointment to the

presidency of Motlow State Community College in Tullahoma.

Dean of Students LaLance has been serving as the acting vice president for student affairs since Wagner's resignation.

LaLance received his B.S. from West Virginia University, his M.S. from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville and earned his doctorate in arts here. Stillion is vice chancellor for

student development at Western Carolina University. He received his B.A. and M.A. from the University of New Mexico and his Ph.D from Florida State.

Wilder is director of the office of undergraduate advisement and developmental studies at Western Kentucky University. He earned his A.B. and M.A. degrees there and

his Ed.D. from George Peabody College for Teachers.

Scarlett, search committee members, the other MTSU vice presidents and representatives of the Faculty Senate will meet with the three men individually during the next few days.

Hood indicated the new vice president will be appointed before the semester is over.

Fluids aid virus recovery

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"The cause of the virus is definitely not the water, but it is not really the type of airborne virus as reported in the Daily News Journal," Buckner said. The virus is spread by direct person-

to-person contact through coughing and sneezing, she explained.

"We suggest that anyone with the virus go off of solid foods for 24 hours and drink only fluids such as soft drinks or weak tea with sugar," Buckner said. "The sugar is for stamina. Fluids help prevent dehydration and flush out the gastro-intestinal tract."

So far, only teenagers and adults have been stricken with the virus, Buckner said. "We have had no reports about small children having the virus, but that is not to say that the virus is limited to adults."

Sidelines editor deadline nears

Monday is the deadline for filing applications for Sidelines editor-in-chief for the summer and fall semesters and for advertising director from June through April, 1976.

Applications may be picked up this week from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. from the publications secretary in the Sidelines office on the third floor of the Student Union Building.

Applicants tentatively will be interviewed and appointments made by the Council on Student Publications April 18

Live sound heard in Blue Oyster album

by Steve Huhman

Blue Oyster Cult's new live double album is just about what one would expect of their concerts.

The records include several

songs found only in their live repertoire, plus the top-of-the-line selections from their high-energy studio offerings. Highlighting the album are all the special features and gimmicks of their live

shows.

Always of prime concern on a live album is the technical quality of the recording. The quality here varies from fair to excellent since the album was recorded at no less than seven different locations.

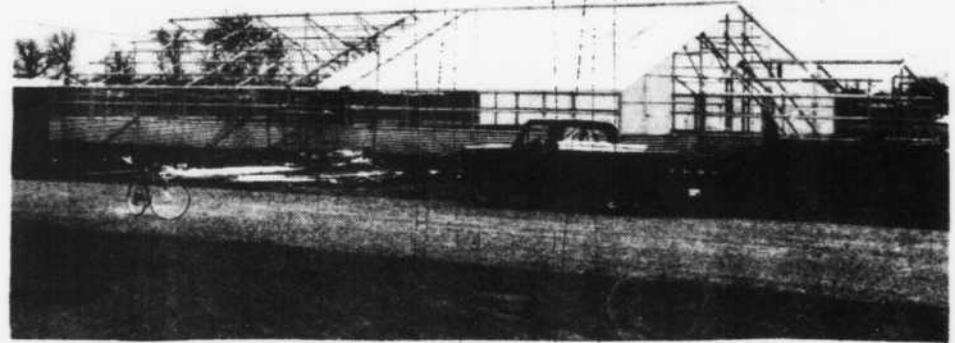
Happily, most cuts rate at least good. The ill-mixed "Harvester of Eyes" is the low point, with the crystal-clear "Buck's Boogie" reaching the pinnacle from a technological standpoint.

The performances themselves are virtually without error and exude as much non-stop energy as the Cult always do when performing live. Side one elevates to a fine sizzle, as the eerie "Subhuman" builds through "Harvester of Eyes" to "Hot Rails to Hell," which is as fiery as its title.

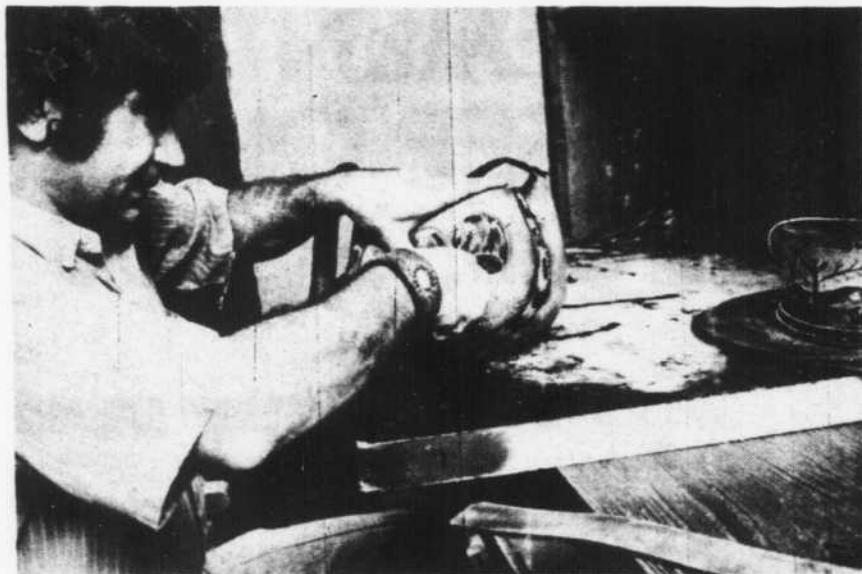
Basically, this side represents the band in unity.

The climax comes on side three, with "Cities on Flame with Rock and Roll" and "ME 262." Spotlit in the finale is another effective live stunt, quadruple lead guitar.

"On Your Feet, or On Your Knees" lacks some of the tight, involved musicianship available on Blue Oyster Cult's studio albums, but the live record makes up for it with high energy, Don Roeser's impeccable leads and solos and a well-coordinated, entertaining show.



A new university greenhouse is now under construction near the horse barn, after a delay caused by bad weather at another of the contractor's sites. Charles Steed photo



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Bad check, late registration fees to be charged

Beginning this intersession, the business office will start charging two new late registration fees and a bad check fee, Robert Hayes, business office accountant, said last week.

"A late fee of \$5 for the first

day plus \$1 for each additional day will be assessed until a student's registration process is complete," Hayes said.

Because the late registration process requires special handling by administration and faculty, the

fee had to be increased, he explained.

About 10,000 students can be processed during the regular two-day registration period, but it takes an additional two weeks to register 500 late students, Hayes said.

"Another charge to go into effect beginning with intersession is a \$4 service charge on each bad check. This service charge will be enforced for each bad check,

whether given in payment of fees, purchase of books, cashed checks by the university or for any other reason," Hayes said.

From July 1, 1974 to Feb. 21, 1975, 1,418 bad checks totaling \$81,459 have come through the university, he pointed out.

"The university will decline to accept checks from any student who has had bad checks returned by his bank more than once," Hayes added.

Helberg appoints cabinet

Ted Helberg, ASB president-elect, announced this week his appointees for cabinet positions in the upcoming academic year.

Heading the list is Fred Carr as attorney general. Phil Campbell will serve as chief justice of the ASB Supreme Court.

Director of the ombudsman program will be Mike Gigandet. Other program directors include Greg Wade, campus services; Karen Butner, external affairs; Jerrell Wilson, community relations; John Pitts, public relations; Sharon Sullivan, academic affairs; and Wiley Carr, director of new student orientation.

Next year's president of the Black Student Association will serve as the ASB minority affairs director.

Nita Givens and Leshia Batson will co-direct homecoming activities.

Helberg named Kelly Perkins treasurer and David Gilliam election commissioner.

The president's administrative assistants will be Annette Eads and Lisa Marchesoni.

Completing the cabinet are the two speakers, Jane Carroll (senate) and Jeff Combos (house).

Final application deadline today for ASB committee, court posts

Applications for an ASB appointment to university standing committees and student courts are due today, president-elect Ted Helberg said this week.

Students wishing to fill the 14 committee vacancies and the seven court justice positions must submit an application including name, age, classification, major and other qualifications. Forms should be mailed to Helberg, box 1.

Committee vacancies are Athletic Committee (2), Campus and Grounds Committee (2), Co-Curricular Committee (2), Curriculum Committee (1), Graduate Council (1), Library Committee (2), Loan and Scholarship Committee (1), Residency Classification Committee (1), University Appeals Committee (1) and University Discipline Committee (1).

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'Black concert' coined by board members

by Scott Perry

Several weeks ago the selection board of the Special Events Committee got together to make plans for the semester's remaining concerts. At this meeting, the board decided to seek out some form of major "black entertainment."

Also at this meeting the phrase, "black concert," was coined, "black" referring more to the form of music than to the group's or audience's ethnic background. Possibly the term "soul" should have been used, but nonetheless, "black" was used by the board (which, by the way, has two black members).

This form of entertainment was desired, Director of Student Programming Harold Smith explained, so the committee could have as diversified a year's program as possible.

Since plans for this concert were announced, students have discussed it vociferously. Many students view the concert as nothing but "tokenism."

I do not believe it should be labeled as such, but as just an overt attempt by the Special Events Committee to get this diversified program, for whatever it's worth.

Some students have started a petition, in which they described themselves as "black students that are sick and tired of being singled out as being 'black' every time a special event takes place."

These students specifically pointed out Sidelines as the medium by which they are offended. But as explained earlier, the term "black concert" was coined by the selection board and not the Sidelines.

One of the petitioning students wanted to know why the bluegrass festival last semester was

not labeled a redneck concert? My answer to this is it would have been if the selection board had referred to it as such.

The purpose of this petition escapes me. If and when the O'Jays play in the Murphy Center, it will be a concert for everyone and not just blacks.

But if being singled out as black bothers some, they should attend a selection board meeting and express this view. The board members are the arbitrators in this situation, and they book the concerts be they rock, bluegrass, redneck, country, jazz or black, excuse me, soul.

Letters to the Editor

Concert label indicates tokenism

We would like to specify that this letter is strictly the opinion of three individuals. This is not, by any means, the voice of the entire black student body, just three black men.

Our letter is based on the articles printed in Sidelines concerning the so-called "black concerts." So what we shall attempt to do is to recapitulate a few things brought up in the articles.

The problem of the situation arises on the labeling of the O'Jays concert as "tokenism." Tokenism is to us something given to someone to pacify or silence them.

The concert in question is supposed to be a concert for the general public. It seems to us that if we were sponsoring a concert for profit, there would be no need to include or exclude one specific type of people.

Therefore, the labeling of the concert will automatically exclude some elements of the campus society — namely most white students that would take offense to going to any institution or event labeled "black." This in turn brings about a negative effect on the outcome of the concert itself.

Noticing concerts featuring white entertainers, the adjective "white" was never used to describe them. What is the reason for this difference?

To us, it seems that it is merely a problem of disrespect toward black students. It is a problem that has been passed from generation to generation. We as black people, if not given the respect, should strive to achieve it by any means necessary.

Sam Burrell box 1720
Stan Murphy box 5296
Collier Woods box 8342

of such a noble character speaks highly for their organization.

And it would be to Mr. McKnight's advantage to have that twelfth molar removed. It might make it easier for his wisdom to come through.

Name withheld by request

Dorm life presents hard times

Take a typical weekday. The heat is usually off in Gracy Hall, so your alarm clock goes off needlessly. This is because you have been freezing since 4 a.m. and couldn't sleep anyway.

The typical dorm resident then crawls to the bathroom to shower and shave only to find there is no hot water. In pure disgust, the disheartened student drags himself to the cafeteria to discover rock-hard donuts and green and blue eggs, complete with the shells.

These are things most dorm students can put up with. The continual calls to housing about hot water to relieve your frustrations

are answered by a lady who is probably used as a scapegoat and continually says "maintenance is working on it." We laugh it off knowing better.

What is even more disgusting than this, for what a lowly dorm resident's opinion is worth, is now the administration is telling upperclassmen and others they have no choice in selection of a dorm next year. Only pot luck will get them back in their dorm with their friends.

Oh, the trials of the dormitory student, won't anyone listen?

Greg Wade
box 7211

Greek scholars or delinquents?

Recently I have noticed that the intelligence of the students of this university is again being insulted by lewd, vulgar, crude posters in conjunction with "Derby Week." Once again students are being forced in to nausea by this eyesore.

This is a practice which must be ended now. Anyone who would deface a building or a tree in such a manner does not, under any circumstances, have the mental ability of a two year old or any respect for his fellow human beings.

Why haven't our ASB officials or our fine administration acted on this matter? The administration seems worried about the material in the Midlander. Why don't they worry about garbage which is displayed in the open?

Some have seen fit to label those juvenile delinquents as "Greeks." This is an erroneous insult to the original Greeks, who would never consider defacing public property or damaging their environment.

Bob Pickard
box 6565

KA critic has 'poor logic'

I must assume that Mr. McKnight is an avid adherer to the principles epitomized by the late Gen. Lee, or has a deep-rooted appreciation for him that he would object to the use of the same as a figurehead for a "public organization."

Poor logic, Mr. McKnight! Although a public organization does not always strictly adhere to the principles which it holds in highest esteem, the mere fact that the organization is striving to do so is within the bounds of human ability.

The many areas of public service encompassed in KA involvement are a testimonial to this.

Also, a distinction should be made between personified ideals and personal habits. Gen. Lee, as Mr. McKnight has made him out, was a demi-god who never stepped outside the realm of near-perfection.

This may be true, but does that mean that every KA should grow a beard and be an expert equitarian in boiler-plate fashion of him?

Certainly there are other great men with whom KA could have identified. However, their choice

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Precision flying adapts to peacetime missions

by Scott Perry

When our country was fighting World Wars I and II, precision flying was used in gun battles in the sky. Pilots matched skills aggressively, and victory meant a chance to fly again and meet yet another opponent. Precision turns, landings and navigation were of utmost importance. A bomb or air drop meant to bring destruction to those below had to be on target.

Although the United States is not embroiled in world war, precision flying is not a thing of the

past. Today, the skill is tested in competition. In fact, pilots across the nation meet in regional contests, competing against fliers with similar flying experience and equal air time.

The Region VIII college meet Nov. 2 and 3 last fall in Vincennes, Ill., was just one of these regional air meets. Teams from four states competed in six different events, including large schools like Notre Dame, UT-Knoxville and the University of Illinois. But one of these large universities did not come away with a victory.

The victors were pilots from Middle Tennessee State University.

Members of Alpha Eta Rho, international aviation fraternity, funded their trip to the regional meet because they could not obtain university sponsorship. However, they were welcomed on their return to Murfreesboro as the MTSU flight team.

"Everyone got on the bandwagon after we won the regional," team captain John Beglin remarked.

Not merely savoring the regional victory, the pilots are readying for the National Championships in Santa Fe, N.M. on the 18, 19 and 20 of this month. The team will leave Sunday so they will have a chance to practice at the higher altitudes.

"We will be taking 18 persons to Santa Fe in April, including 15 competing team members and three advisers," Beglin said. "The trip will cost right at \$13,000, and we will be in Santa Fe for about a week," he pointed out.

Preparing for such an air meet takes a lot of practice. The nationals will feature eight events, four in the air and four on the ground. All will be scored on a point system.

"We are now recognized by the

school as an intercollegiate flying team and not just a fraternity group," Beglin said.

One event, the precision air drop, involves dropping a sack of flour from the plane, hopefully inside a small circle painted on the ground. Such precision events are more difficult than it would seem.

"You have to keep a close watch on your air speed, altitude and the direction and velocity of the wind before you know when to drop the flour," senior pilot Tom Shea explained.

Other precision events include a navigation test, landing competition and pre-flight inspections, Shea added.

The national meet is sponsored by the National Pilots Association, in conjunction with the National Intercollegiate Flying Association.

According to Beglin, MTSU is the only Tennessee team among the 33 eligible for the meet.

"If we won it all at Santa Fe, it would be very good for the school's aerospace program," Beglin pointed out.

Such competition is not as desperate as a wartime battle because the pilot's life is not on the line. But winning must evoke the same glories, for why else would teams like MTSU fly?

O'Jays concert finalized

by Scott Perry

A contract was signed Wednesday on the O'Jays for a concert at the Murphy Center on April 25, Harold Smith, director of student programming, said yesterday.

"We got the official word Wednesday afternoon from Sound Seventy," Smith said. "This has really been a hard concert to book."

"Tickets will go on sale at the UC ticket booth next Tuesday at

10 a.m.," he added. "All the tickets will be general admission and will be sold to students for \$4."

All the seats will be general admission because of the lack of time to have reserved seating tickets printed, Smith explained.

Students can buy two tickets per ID and non-students can buy tickets at \$5. All tickets sold on the day of the show will be \$6, Smith added.

Jazz group set for festival

MTSU's Jazz Ensemble will join the Duke Ellington Orchestra and a band from Memphis State for the first state-wide jazz festival, to be held in Nashville April 11 and 12.

The Ellington group, directed by Mercer, the late "Duke's" son, will appear along with the ensemble at Vanderbilt Memor-

ial Gym on the second night of the festival.

On the first night, the award winning Memphis state University Jazz Band will perform. They will be joined by Bud Brisbois, a former lead trumpeter with Stan Kenton and now a California studio musician.

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Yes's 'Relayer' album is for open minds, ears

by David Weiser

When Rick Wakeman left Yes to go on his own, he explained, "I didn't like the direction the group was going in."

After the cumbersome "Tales of Topographic Oceans," I had to agree with him.

The change was gradual, but readily apparent. The music became more intricate and more complex. I mean, does anybody really know what "Yours Is No Disgrace" means? ("Caesar's Palace, morning glory, see the human race . . . if the summer changed to winter, yours is no disgrace . . .")

It appeared with "Topographic Oceans" that Yes had finally

launched itself past the cosmic ozone — past everybody's level of understanding — and had reached the end of its productive road.

But in "Relayer," Yes, with new organist Patrick Moraz, is back on the right track. And don't worry about what Yes lost when it lost Wakeman. Moraz shows the same kind of dexterity and versatility Wakeman was known for.

Side One consists of "The Gates of Delirium," which is an epic tale of a medieval battle and the peace that finally comes. It is one of the best compositions I've ever heard by the group.

The number starts with that

pristine, sparkling, flowing-water effect first used in "Close to the Edge." Jon Anderson's soaring vocals, impressive as ever, soon fall in until Steve Howe's guitar introduces the battle. In the end, the instruments settle down and Anderson drifts back in with a strong, restful epilogue.

Side Two opens with "Sound Chaser," a wasted nine minutes and 25 seconds of cacophonous drum rolls and discordant bass riffs that make the whole piece sound like a jazz improvisation that nobody felt like doing. "To Be Over" is the song most FM disc jocks should be playing. It's mellow and makes an appropriate

finale to the album.

"Relayer" is a success. After having all the group's albums, save for "Yessongs," I feel qualified to say that. Yes has successfully steered away from the bombastic trappings of "Topographic Oceans" and has concentrated on melody.

But if you don't know what art rock or space rock or what-have-you is, or if your world consists of Bachman-Turner Overdrive, Bad Company and the like, stay away. "Relayer" is for open minds and open ears.

Sight problems aided by laser

By David James

Have you ever wondered how a blind or partially sighted person reads and studies at MTSU?

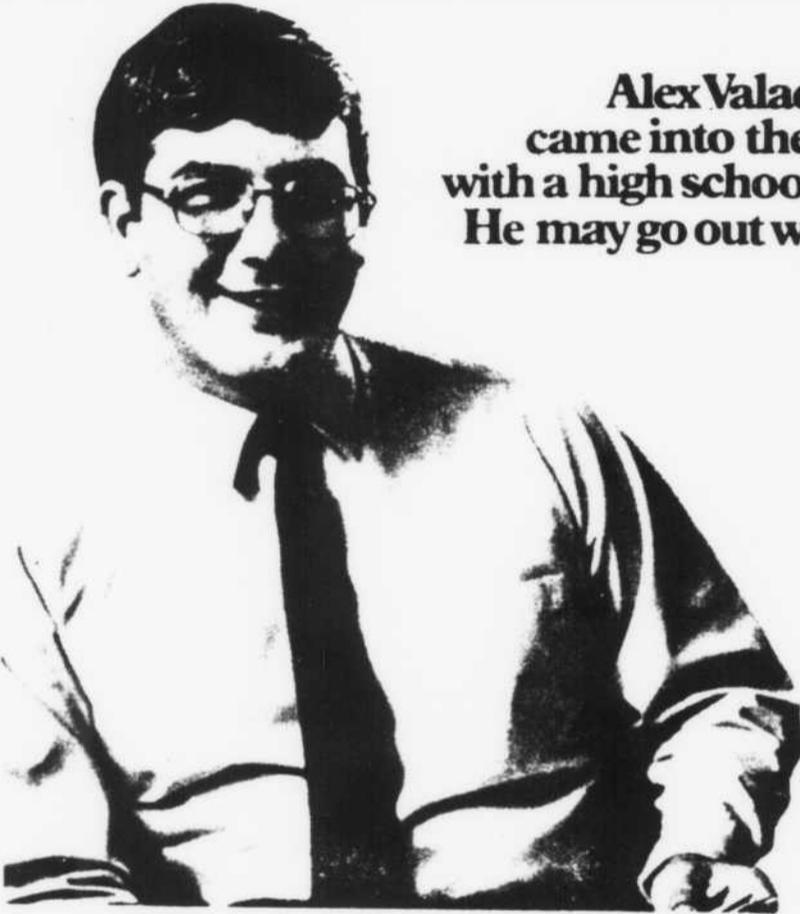
Partially sighted students use an Apollo Laser machine which magnifies printed material on a television screen. The closed circuit television device can fill an entire screen with two or three words, if necessary, Don Craig, assistant librarian, explained.

For the blind, a speech compressor equipped with a computer enables students to listen to cassette tapes at up to two and one-half times normal speed without changing pitch.

Craig said that "sometimes a cassette recording of the entire text is" ordered so that the student will not have to get someone to read to him."

A subcarrier FM radio station broadcasts specific requests from blind students from 3 to 9 p.m. daily. A special receiver is given to the students so that no one receives the station because of various copywrite laws that forbid the reading of a book or magazine to people who can see.

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Six outstanding seniors named

Six MTSU students have been selected "Most Outstanding Seniors" by a joint committee of students, faculty and administrators.

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Dodd, current ASB president, has served on the All Campus Rules Committee, General Education Study Committee, Student Affairs Vice Presidential Search Committee, Academic Advisement Committee and the Honors Council.

Named to Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities for 1975, Fail has also been ASB senior senator, senate parliamentarian, sergeant-at-arms and assistant treasurer for Kappa Delta sorority, assistant to the president, ASB representative and scholarship chairman.

Myers, named to Who's Who for 1975, has served four years on the Special Events Committee, Cheerleader Selection Board, Election Commission, Homecoming Committee and Bills Committee.

Marcrom was named to Who's Who for 1975 and has served on the University Discipline Com-

mittee and the Dorm Residents Committee.

Reynolds, named to Who's Who for 1975, has served on the ASB Traffic Court and worked for Midlander and Collage. He has held offices in Alpha Phi Gamma, Scabbard and Blade, Pi Kappa Phi and the Interfraternity Council.

Schneider was named to Who's Who for 1975 and has served as a member of the ASB Election Commission, Committee on Campus-Community Relations and the Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature. She has held offices in Chi Omega and the Panhellenic Council.

Faculty officers will be elected

Officers of the MTSU faculty Senate will be elected during a meeting Monday, according to Harold Baldwin, senate president.

A new president, vice president and secretary-treasurer will be elected.

All 47 faculty senators are eligible for office, Baldwin pointed out.

Eight senators from the School of Education were recently elected, two from the School of Business and Economics, two from the School of Basic and Applied Science and five from the School of Liberal Arts.

Memorial concert slated

The MTSU Community Chorus and the Chicago Children's Choir will present a memorial concert in honor of the late Dr. Thor Johnson on April 20 in the Tennessee Room of the SUB.

The concert, which is sponsored by the MTSU chapter of the Music Educators National Conference, will feature the performances of Bach, Faure and Brahms. The Children's Choir will sing selections appropriate to the occasion.

Admission to the concert is \$2. Net proceeds will be used to establish the Thor Johnson Scholarship Award. Contributions to the award fund are tax-deductible.

Johnson was the director of the Interlochen Arts Academy Orchestra. Since 1967 he had been the conductor of the Nashville Symphony Orchestra, which presented many children's concerts in the Middle Tennessee area.

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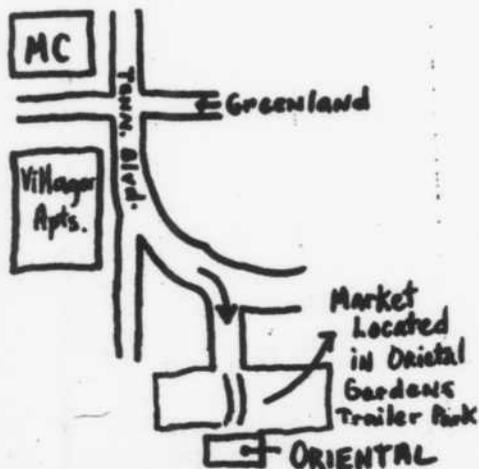
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Artists brighten VA halls

Advanced design students in MTSU's art department have completed a project at Murfreesboro's Veterans Administration Hospital, according to Phillip Vander Weg, assistant art professor.

"Making the halls more interesting, less confining or just

New zip means faster delivery

MTSU will receive a new zip code effective April 26 to assure the school "better and faster" mail service, Business Manager Austin Parker announced Tuesday.

"Use of the previous zip code is not prohibited; however, we have been encouraged to use the new one as soon as possible," Parker said.

The new code is 37132.

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Today

Convention: Future Business Leaders of America, registration, 12 noon-2 p.m., UC lobby; meetings, 1-7 p.m., UC theatre and selected rooms, third floor, UC; banquet, 7 p.m., Tennessee Room, SUB; swimming, 9 p.m., swimming pool.

Rodeo: MTSU rodeo team, 6:30 p.m., Agriculture Center
Harlem Globetrotters: 8 p.m., Murphy Center

Saturday, April 12

Convention: Future Business Leaders of America, meetings, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., UC theatre and 324-A, B, C.
Meeting: Weight Off Club, 10 a.m., AM dance studio
Derby Day: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., picnic area.
Women's tennis: MTSU-APSU, 2 p.m., tennis courts
Rodeo: MTSU Rodeo Team, 6:30 p.m., Agriculture Center
Recognition night: Dr. Howard Kirksey, 6:30 p.m., Tennessee Room, SUB

Sunday, April 13

Baseball: MTSU-Bellarmino, 1 p.m., baseball field.
Meeting: Triton Club, 1 p.m., swimming pool

Monday, April 14

Meeting: Karate Club, 4 p.m., dance studio B, Murphy Center
Cheerleader practice and tryout: 4 p.m., south concourse, Murphy Center
Meeting: Films Committee, 7 p.m., UC 307
Meeting: MTSU Fencing Club, 7 p.m., AM 300
Contest: Master and Mistress of Blackness, 7 p.m., UC theatre, sponsored by Omega Psi Phi
Meeting: Triton Club, 8 p.m., swimming pool

Upcoming

Campus interviews: Jewell Home Shopping Service, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., UC 311; Southwestern, 4 p.m. - 9:30 p.m., UC 311. Contact placement office for details.
Meeting: Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi, 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, UC 318. Speaker - Frank Sutherland, SDX regional director and education editor for the Tennessee

pleasant to walk down — that is what the problem was," Vander Weg said. "It was a very real situation that we could deal with and at the same time make a positive community contribution. So we painted graphic images in the hallways."

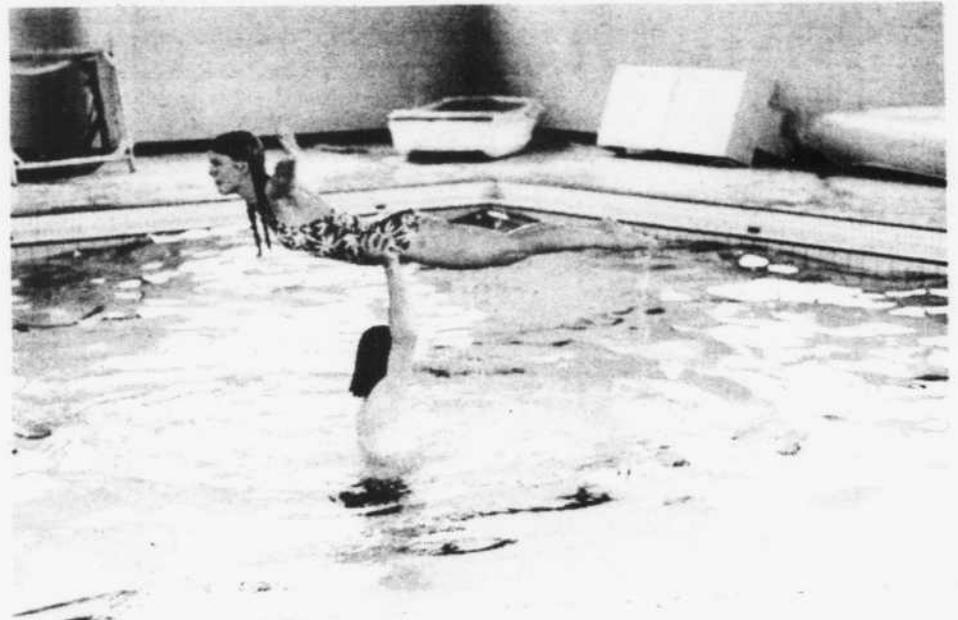
John T. Mason, director of the hospital, said the painting has "added much to the environment" of the hospital.

"We have had many good comments from patients and staff about the attractiveness of the area," he said.

Students who designed and painted the halls and elevator were Jim Coffelt, Patti Osborne, Mike Osborne, Paul Tate and Alice Baker.

"Making the world a more pleasant and meaningful place to live in is really what we are all about," Vander Weg said, adding that the VA has asked the department to expand its project to other areas.

"If conditions within the art department are favorable this coming fall, we will attempt to honor this request," he said.



A pair of swimmers is seen here rehearsing for the annual Triton Club show, to be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday in the MTSU pool. Admission is free.
Charles Steed photo

ASB to present awards

ASB will hold its Awards Banquet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Tennessee Room of the Student Union Building.

New officers will be sworn in, and Outstanding Seniors, Who's Who at MTSU and cheerleaders will be recognized.

The banquet will be free to those who have served in ASB or will be a part of the ceremony. Others may attend for \$4.

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'Toughness' mark of spring football

by Tom Wood
Sports Editor

Winding up the third week of spring football practice, the team will hold a scrimmage at 10 a.m. Saturday, and if it's anything like the practice sessions up to now, it will be a real test of toughness.

Head Coach Ben Hurt, selected to replace Bill Peck near the end of last semester, put the Raiders through an extensive winter conditioning program "which almost killed us," according to some players.

But the program has paid off as far as I can tell, for this is one of the best-conditioned groups of athletes I have seen since coming to MTSU.

This doesn't mean they will go undefeated or necessarily even have a winning season next fall, but you have to go through one step at a time.

Rome was not built in a day, the saying goes, and neither is a winning tradition. Hurt's fellow coach Jimmy Earle has proven that.

Whether or not MTSU will have a winning season is unimportant for the moment because the necessary ingredient — a winning attitude — has been established by Hurt and his staff.

Hurt had his players cut their hair, something not done traditionally in this age of long hair, but not one player quit.

"Our strength right now is our attitude," Hurt said. "We've got a long way to go." Hurt will run primarily the same type offense that was used when he was an assistant at Houston.

The offense will go with the now-famous "veer," while the defense will work a 4-3 "with an

umbrella secondary," according to Hurt.

Hurt and his staff have made some lineup changes they hope will improve the team. Eddie Wright, included in the "Outstanding College Athletes of America" 1975 volume, has been switched from offensive tackle to center for next season. Free safety Ed Skinner has been moved to the offensive line, where he will get a shot at the starting tight end job.

Notes of interest: Assistant coach Monte Crook recently

signed two defensive standouts from the University of Tampa, which dropped football last month.

John Csir, a 6-1, 225-pound defensive lineman, and John Schnieder, a 5-11, 200-pound linebacker, have chosen to continue their college careers at MTSU.

Both Csir, who will be a senior, and Schnieder, who will have four years of eligibility, will be allowed to play this fall.

Csir, from Erie, Pa., has been a starting tackle for the Spartans

for the past two seasons.

Schnieder is from Father Ryan High School in Nashville, and the Raider coaching staff feels that he has a great future as a linebacker.

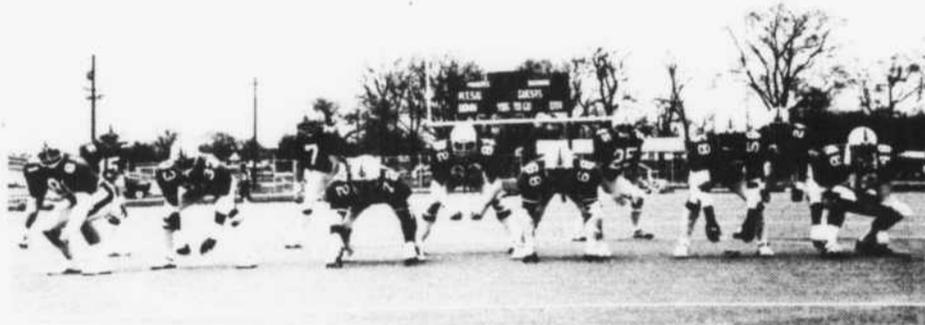
"We are delighted to get these two fine players, and also to have them eligible this fall," Hurt said. "They will really help us in a couple of problem areas."

MTSU has added to the 1975 schedule Carson-Newman, a team the Raiders haven't faced since 1952. Other non-conference opponents are Western Carolina, who beat the Blue 24-7 last year, the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga and Tennessee State University.

OVC action will begin for the Raiders Sept. 27 at Morehead State. MTSU will face Murray State for Homecoming on Oct. 18.

The 1975 football schedule is as follows:

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	SITE
September			
6	Tennessee State	7:30	Away
13	Carson-Newman	7:30	Home
27	Morehead State	7:30	Away
October			
4	UT Chattanooga	7:30	Away
11	Eastern Kentucky	7:30	Home
18	Murray State	1:30	Home
25	Austin Peay	1:30	Away
November			
1	Western Carolina	1:00	Away
8	Western Kentucky	1:30	Home
15	East Tennessee	1:30	Away
22	Tennessee Tech	1:30	Home



1975 defense

Pictured from left to right are Jeff King, Johnny Carver, Tony Buck, John Emert, Lavon Anderson, Kris Keen, Alvin Price, Ronnie Cecil, Melvin Boyd, Sonny Anderson and George Goodson.



1975 offense

Pictured from left to right are Robbie Barrow, Ed Skinner, Frank Long, Tom Weingartner, Mike Moore, Eddie Wright, Mike Robinson, James Isabell, Bobby Joe Easter, Jim Hicks and Cliff Cook.
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Auburn to host Blue

Coach Dean Hayes' Blue Raider thinclads will be running in Auburn, Ala., tomorrow when they will face host Auburn University, Troy State University and Furman University in a 1:30 p.m. meet.

"We don't know much about any of them because we haven't seen them," Hayes said.

"Auburn should be the favorite, if for no other reason because they are at home," he added.

Strong points for the Raiders going into the meet are Ekido Macaulay in the long jump, triple jump and high jump; Harrison Salami in the discus and javelin; John Johnson in the 220- and 440-yard dashes and Russell Holloway in the hurdles.

Netters downed by UT-C Mocs

by Mark Barebo

Hoping to up their OVC record to 2-1, MTSU's tennis squad will face Tennessee Tech at 2 p.m. in Cookeville.

Tech, ranked fourth in the OVC, will present the Raiders with some tough competition, according to coach Larry Castle. "Tech is strong in the top three slots," Castle stated. He also indicated that MTSU "has to have a good win" in order to capture the OVC title.

The Raiders are slated to play East Tennessee State Saturday afternoon in Johnson City. Castle doesn't view ETSU as a major threat to MTSU's netters.

In Wednesday afternoon's action, the University of Tennessee

at Chattanooga nipped the Raiders 5-4 at UTC. Castle cited the "slow" clay courts at Chattanooga for MTSU's loss. OVC powerhouse Western Kentucky lost to UTC on the same courts only weeks earlier.

Castle was not disturbed over the loss to UTC, and stated that the Raiders were focusing on the conference matches. Two of MTSU's top three men, Lasse Durcham and Geoff Gilchrist, were out of the lineup Wednesday.

Sorrell headed for Vegas, Classic

George Sorrell, the Ohio Valley Conference's leading rebounder and Most Valuable Player, will leave Sunday for Las Vegas, Nev., to participate in the Pizza Hut All-American Basketball Classic, set for next Tuesday night.

"I'm very glad I was selected to play out there," Sorrell said, "and I'm just going to try to do my best."

Sorrell will be playing with superstars, such as North Carolina State's David Thompson, who was voted the outstanding basketball player of 1975 and was the only one to garner more votes on the East squad.

This will be the first time Sorrell has ever flown, but he says he is not too nervous about it.

"It's no big deal," Sorrell said. "It's not as bad as the press and Coach Earle made it out to be."

Concerning a possible future in professional basketball, Sorrell said, "It would be nice, but so many players come out of college today, somebody is going to be left out."

MTSU inks first prospect

MTSU's basketball staff has signed the 1974 Georgia Junior College Player of the Year to play for the Raiders next year.

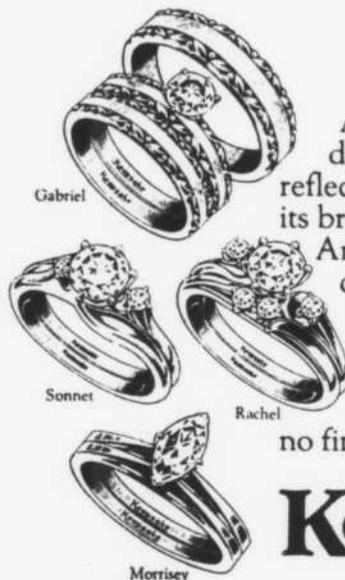
Gil Thompson, a transfer from Brewton Parker Jr. College in Mt. Vernon, Ga., sports a 17-point scoring average along with an average of 19.5 rebounds per game.

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Blue nine to meet Belmont

by Chuck Cavalaris

The baseball Raiders have a 3 p.m. game slated at Belmont College today and will travel to Murray State for a crucial twinbill against the division-leading Racers on Saturday.

The Raiders upped the season mark to 18-8 by sweeping a double-header from Kentucky Wesleyan on Tuesday.

The Raiders stand one game behind the twelfth-ranked nationally Racers and a Murray sweep would virtually eliminate the Raiders' OVC championship hopes.

Revenge will be on the minds of coach Stanford's players after last year's 7-2 playoff loss to the defending league champion Racers.

The diamond Raiders swept the double-header with Kentucky Wesleyan last Tuesday 9-2 and 6-4. A 15-hit Raider attack enabled southpaw Danny Neal to

gain the pitching decision in the opening contest. Randy Leindecker received the win in the second game as the Raiders pounded out 13 hits.

Raider stats through the Austin Peay game are as follows:

HITTING				
(At least 25 or more at bats)				
PLAYER	AB	HITS	RBI	AVG
Mathis	76	30	7	.395
Smith	66	20	24	.391
Peters	71	21	11	.296
Madison	27	8	11	.296
Howard	66	17	7	.258
Zitney	76	17	6	.233
W. Shanks	83	19	10	.229
Richardson	42	8	5	.190
Sargent	43	8	9	.186
Tucker	52	9	3	.173

Pitching				
(At least 1 or more decisions)				
PLAYER	W-L	IP	Hits	BB ERA
Ploucher	5-0	34	two-thirds	19 28 21 0.69
Leindecker	1-0	10	two-thirds	5 7 0 0.85
Melson	1-3	34	two-thirds	28 31 18 2.60
Neal	3-2	36	two-thirds	37 44 16 3.19
Krei	2-2	26	two-thirds	27 22 7 3.04
S. Shanks	1-0	9		3 2 6 0.00
Howard	1-0	3	two-thirds	0 2 2 0.00
Anderton	0-1	7	two-thirds	9 2 9 5.87



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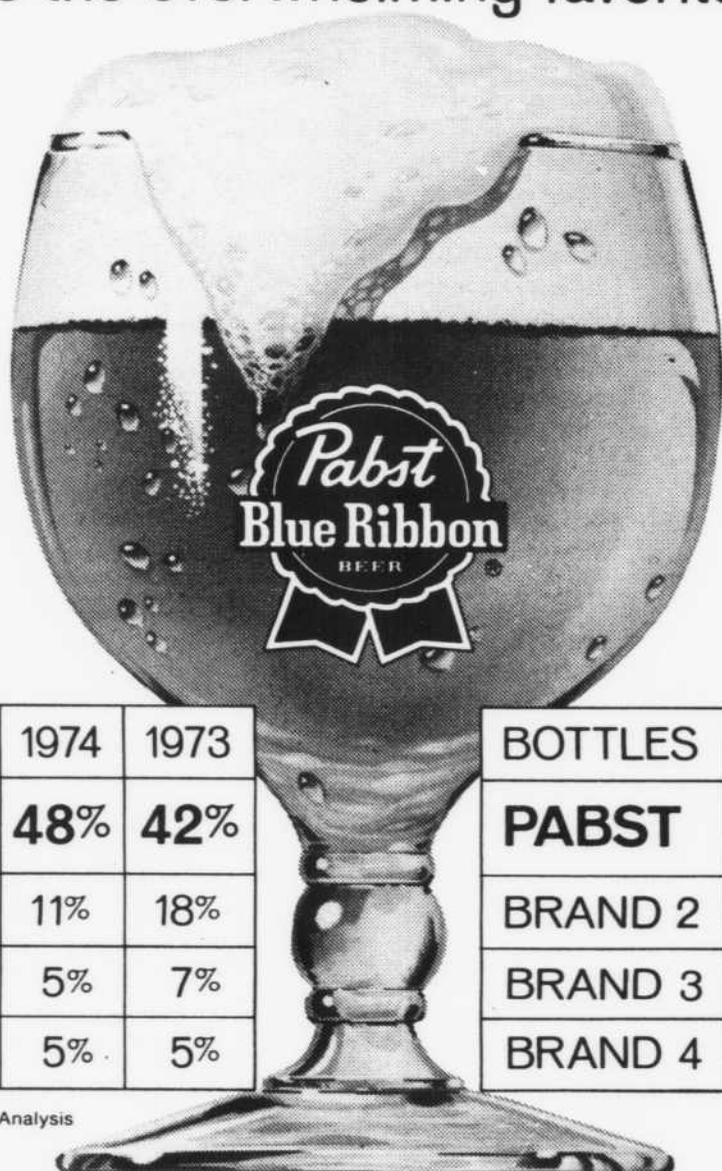
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