

Students Should Be Academic Junior Partners

Students should play the roles of academic "junior partners" in the university's "educational enterprise," President M. G. Scarlett said Friday.

After his inauguration as MTSU's fifth president, Scarlett said:

"Faculty and administration must examine carefully student expressions of concern about programs and instruction. Thorough consideration should be given to the expressed student concern that our universities are afflicted with 'intellectual sclerosis.'"

Scarlett, who came to the MTSU campus Oct. 1, said many of today's students see the general education core of 20 years ago, which they feel has been preserved in today's graduation requirements, as "not relevant to the space age."

"Administration and faculty should listen when students ask for relevance in the program," the president said. "If students say the general graduation requirements should be build

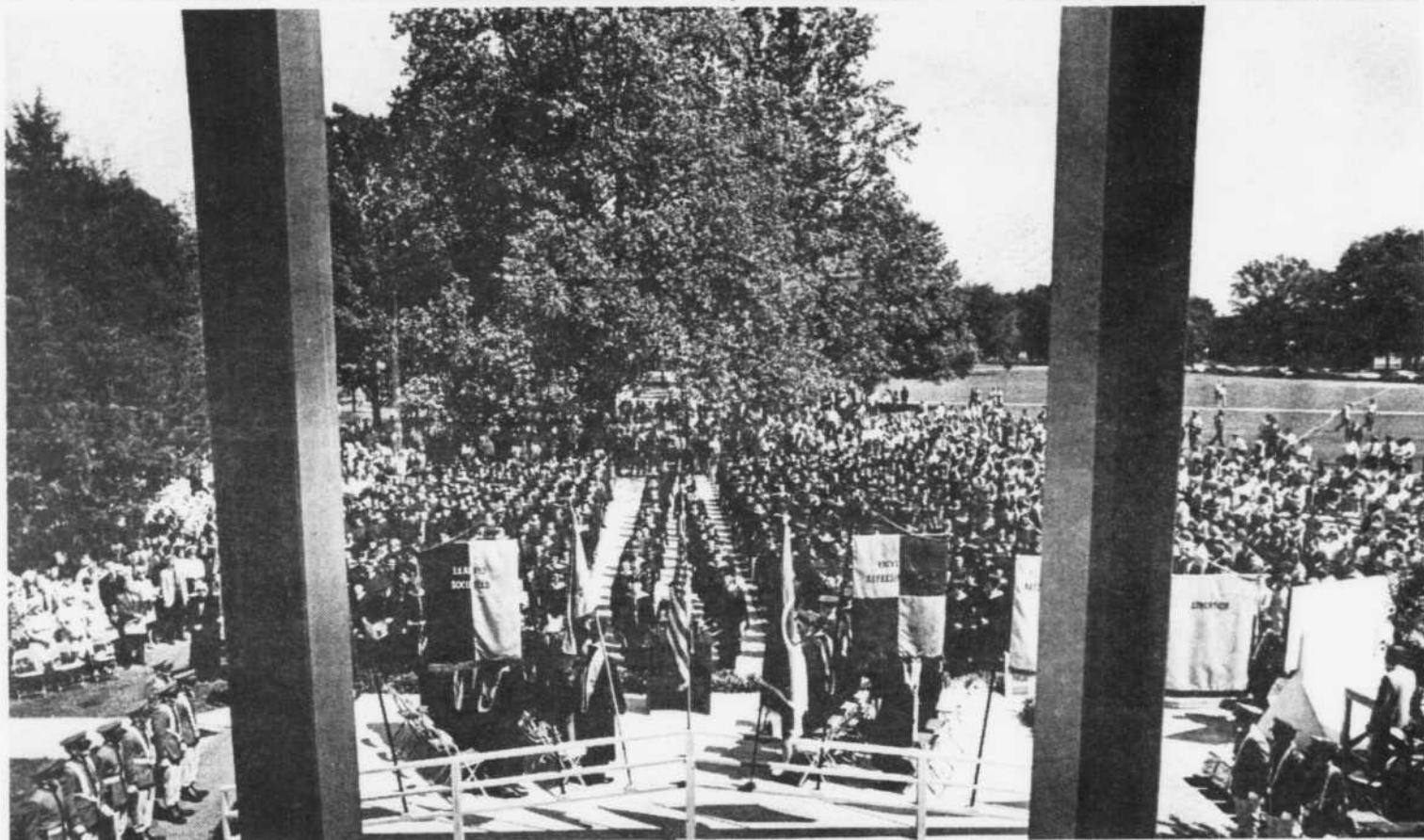
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around the critical student and societal issues of the day, serious consideration should be given to their proposal."

The president said many of today's students have been "brought up on instant breakfast, instant communications and virtual instant gratification of their wants."

"And they want instant solutions to the problems of society and of the university," he said. "Finally, they are enamored of the all-or-nothing judgment. Anything touched with wrong is completely wrong. Flexibility and compromise are not among their virtues."

"So, they indignantly make



...A Distinguished Procession

Symposium Defines MTSU Objectives

By Wanda Ensor and Carla Neal

Six members of MTSU's inaugural symposium, entitled "In Quest of a Definition," concurred that one of the primary functions of a regional university is to be responsive to the needs of its host community.

The symposium, which endeavored to define the role of a regional university such as MTSU, was held in the University Theater in the DA Wednesday night.

Members of the panel included Everett Derryberry, president of Tennessee Tech-

nological University and moderator of the program; John Folger, executive director of the Tennessee Higher Education Commission; Chancellor Alexander Heard of Vanderbilt; William J. McKeefery, dean of academic affairs for Southern Illinois University; Allan Ostar, executive director of American Association of State Colleges and Universities; and Phillip R. Shriver, president of Miami University of Ohio.

Members of the panel agreed

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Puckett Protests 'Offensive' Poem

By Bobby Sands

A letter of protest authored by Morris Puckett and signed by about 15 other members of the business administration and accounting faculties has been sent to President M. G. Scarlett, protesting a recent article appearing in Collage, according to Puckett.

The letter read as follows: "The following members of the faculty would like very much to see positive action taken to discourage the use of institutional resources for the publishing of articles in either the student newspaper or the student magazine that are offensive to the majority of the campus family. The article attached from Collage, April, 1969, page 22 is a case in point."

The article referred to was a poem signed by "OSKAR." The poem concerned manliness and ended with the question, "Was Jesus a queer?"

Puckett, the originator of the letter stated that, "I favor student publications being made more responsive to majority desires, but I do not favor censorship."

Puckett denied that there was any organized movement to gain censorship of student publications, but Puckett did criticize OSKAR's recent poem and an article entitled "Antisthenes Revisited" by Bobby Lynch which appeared in the January 10 issue of the SIDELINES.

Phil Harper, also a signer of the letter sent to President Scarlett said Friday: "I protest obscene and pornographic material being printed in student publications which are subsidized by state funds."

Harper also criticized the SIDELINES for what he termed "very poor coverage of campus news." Harper also questioned if the SIDELINES was adhering to the rules set forth by the

Publications Committee for student publications concerning its editorial policy."

Joe Tenpenny, an instructor in the business administration department and also a signer of Puckett's letter stated that he considered OSKAR'S article "totally in damn poor taste."

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ROTC Unit To Conduct Campus Vote

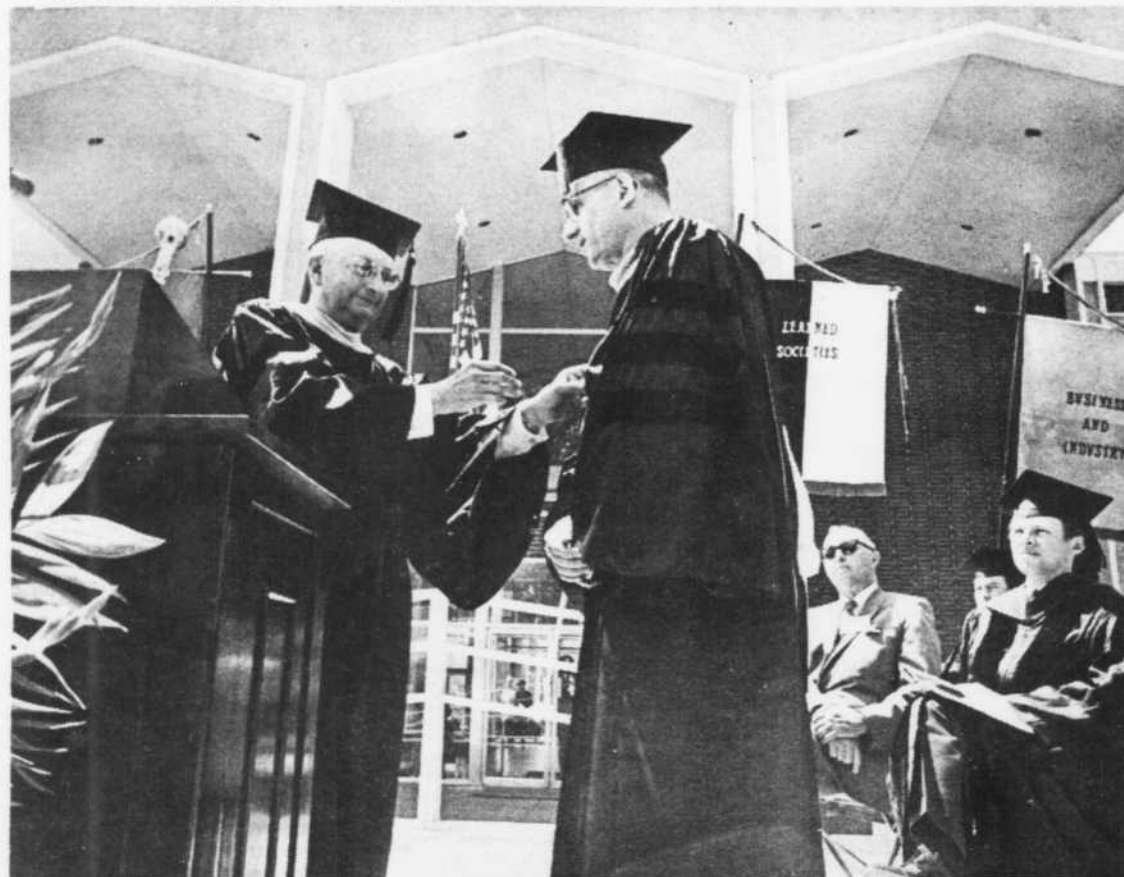
The new ROTC study committee will conduct a student and faculty referendum next Monday to decide how many persons desire a voluntary program, the committee announced Friday.

The decision came after the unit's meetings Wednesday and Friday, according to Robert E. Lee, committee chairman.

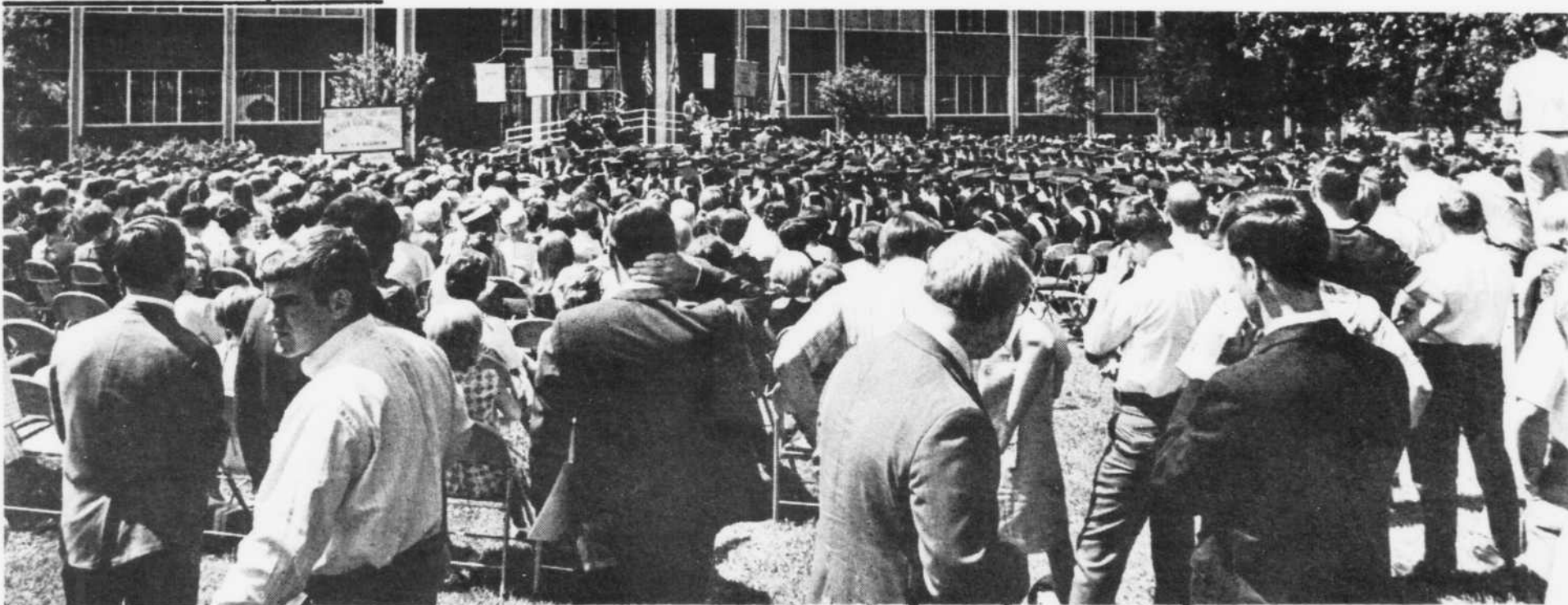
In a release, the committee said the vote will be a part of the group's fact-finding study. The recommendation for a vote, it continued, was made by Cliff Gillespie and Patrick O'Neal, the unit's two student members.

The voting will consist of four questions, O'Neal said. These include the desirability of a voluntary program and what the student wants in a voluntary program.

Results will be withheld by the committee until the group's final report, expected before the end of the spring semester. The release added, however, that the outcome of the Monday vote will not determine the committee's final decision.



J. Howard Warf, state commissioner of education, prepares to drape the MTSU presidential medallion over the head of President M. G. Scarlett. Scarlett follows the late Drs. R. G. Jones, P. A. Lyons, Quill E. Cope and Dr. Q. M. Smith, the only living MTSU president-emeritus.



...Greek Security Ready, but It Wasn't Needed

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demands and back them up with overt action," he added.

Although Americans enjoy the world's best society and system of higher education, major inequities exist, and the universities need reform, he added.

"The university is probably not as easily changed as society. The structure of the university must be altered in order that it can be more flexible and more responsive to the needs of students and society."

"If the university is to give effective service to a rapidly changing society and rapidly changing students and deal with a rapidly increasing body of

knowledge, it will have to be a dynamic, flexible and responsive institution," he said.

Such an institution, he added, would provide students with "avenues for participation in academic decision-making." Students would then be considered "partners with faculty and administration in the educational enterprise," he added.

But administrators should not take action under duress or fear of physical force, he said.

The university must provide means for communication with students, and administrators must be willing to listen and respond positively.

Scarlett said, however, that the university should not tolerate "the use of physical force which disrupts the university program or impinges on the rights of individuals."

"And the university cannot tolerate the seizure, damage or destruction of university property," Scarlett added.

In his concluding remarks, Scarlett said:

"In this good regional university here, we will do our best to serve our students and the people of Middle Tennessee well, and while we will strive to improve our university, we will staunchly defend it against any who would maliciously attack it from without or from

within."

Gov. Buford Ellington, in making a formal greeting to Scarlett, said today's universities must be structures so that they "insure that higher education makes its contribution."

Scarlett was also greeted by Rutherford County Judge Threet, Murfreesboro Mayor W. H. Westbrooks, Dr. Robert Womack, president of the MTSU Faculty Senate, Elmer Malone, president of the MTSU Alumni Association, and Jim Free, student government president.

The colorful inaugural ceremonies were held between the Cope Administration Building and the new classroom complex, under a bright sun and cloudless skies.

Temperatures remained in the 80's throughout the day.

J. Howard Warf, state commissioner of education, invested Scarlett with the medallion of office.

Puckett...

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Tenpenny said he felt that it was the editor's job to keep publications free of offensive material. Tenpenny charged that "They (Collage) are trying to see how far they can go without being censored."

Puckett stated that student publications in his opinion "should be more responsive to and have more respect for the opinions of the majority."

"I feel that the majority of the people are very apathetic and responsible for what we read in our student publications. They are at fault for not expressing their opinions on such distasteful articles. I have tried to encourage people to speak-out their opinions," Puckett continued.

Fowler Todd, head of the Business Administration department, stated he had "signed the letter but did not favor censorship of student publications."

Bill Peters, editor of Collage, refused to identify OSKAR when contacted by the SIDELINES Friday.

"It is unfortunate that the gentlemen of the business administration and accounting departments did not read or interpret the poem in the manner in which it was intended," Peters stated.

Peters said that he was "alarmed to learn that 15 signatures constitute a majority of the campus family."

Peters said that no specific disapproval or expressions of concern have been registered with him over the poem.



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Grads Complete Intent Forms

All prospective August 1969 graduates please fill in their "Intent to Graduate" forms immediately. All prospective January, 1970, graduates, please fill in their "Intent to Graduate" form by the end of May.

Symposium Defines ...

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that the role of any university is teaching, service to the community, and research. Some panel members stressed, however, the necessity for a regional university to emphasize teaching and service more than research.

"There are too many attempts to be carbon copies of ivy league universities such as Harvard. A regional university, in my opinion, should have less emphasis on research and should emphasize more the opportunities for service to the community and for improved teaching programs," declared Shriver.

"The quality of a regional university should be based on how well the institution fulfills its own objectives and the impact of the institution on its students," according to Ostar.

Ostar added that too many universities measure quality by the number of books in the library and the number of PhDs in the institution.

"I would like to see quality determined in different ways," said Ostar. "The number of PhDs may not be relevant, nor the number of books necessarily an indication of quality. It is the kinds of books and how much students utilize these books that is the more important consideration."

The responsibility of a regional university to the student was also commented on by the panel. Ostar pointed out that more and more people who are eligible to enter college are being turned away from the

larger universities. "The opportunity to teach these students falls to MTSU and her 250 sister institutions," Ostar reminded the audience.

Derryberry added that it is of primary importance that a regional university try to keep close to the people, to experiment with new approaches to education, to keep a high quality and low cost of learning, and to maintain an "Open door" policy of education.

Folger stated his belief in the importance of regional universities forming a clear set of goals and purposes coupled with a sense of direction. "The responsibility of working personally with young people also needs to be underlined," he continued. "We have a responsibility to serve the students, the community and the area."

Three Take Office Tonight

Van Martin, Cliff Gillespie and Sara Smith will be inaugurated as the new ASB President, Speaker of the House and Speaker of the Senate respectively today at 6:30 in the ASB House Chambers.

This will be the first session of the ASB congress at which the recently passed mandatory representation bill will be in effect.

Each campus club or organization officially recognized by the ASB, MTSU administration and MTSU faculty are required to have a representative in the ASB house who is required to attend meetings.

Any club or organization failing to be represented at three regularly scheduled meetings per semester will subject to possible deletion from recognition by the ASB, administration and faculty.

Kiker Extends Apology For Missing MTSU

The DA auditorium was quickly filling with administration officials, faculty members and interested students. The moment grew near when they would hear Douglas Kiker, an NBC news editor, but the man they had come to see was in London, England.

The newsman was to speak Tuesday night on the role the university is now playing in American society.

William Holland, committee chairman in charge of the inauguration, made the announcement of Kiker's absence to the awaiting audience, and since there were no other parts to the program scheduled in the auditorium was cleared.

Kiker was very apologetic and offered to reimburse MTSU for any cost of publicity etc. He also said it was not the fault of any lecture bureau, but of his own, according to Holland.

Holland stated that because of the end of the year approaching, another appearance by Kiker cannot be scheduled this year.

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Youths Drift From Party : Gore

Many young Americans have begun to drift away from the Democrats because "the party has, in many instances, forsaken its goals," Tennessee's senior senator said here Thursday.

Sen. Albert Gore, D-Tenn., told the MTSU College Young Democrats that the party has veered from its original purposes by catering to special interests. He said the two reasons for this are "the national tax policy" and "the relationship of Democratic policies to the principles of social justice."

"The U.S. tax policy is now a crime in justice," he said. "A thorough-going tax reform is imperative."

"I was surprised at the ex-

tent to which the Republican administration has recommended tax reform," Gore said, adding that the GOP recommendations, however, are "but the shadow of reform, not substance."

He added that the second cause of the alienation of youth -- Democratic policy relating to social justice -- must be "to give first priority to welfare of the masses, not to the special interests."

"Students have been greatly disturbed with our warped sense of values and a society where a truck driver will earn more than a university professor."

"But the man with the big pocketbook does not have claim to political honor or achievement in American culture. I

think other values are superior."

Concerning the Nixon-proposed anti-ballistic missile (ABM) system, Gore reiterated his stand against the ABM deployment in the United States.

"Deployment of the anti-ballistic missile system is wrong in all categories," he said. "It increases the danger of war and it numbs the promise of peace."

"The question is not to disarm, but to call a halt to a mad nuclear armaments race."

"Man must develop a formula of living together on this shrinking earth," he concluded.

Gore was in Murfreesboro to attend the inauguration of President M. G. Scarlett Thursday morning.

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Maturity, Patience Caused Quiet Spring

While violence flared on a half-dozen campuses in the North, students at this regional university would have none of that and sought quieter remedies.

It was a quiet Spring at MTSU.

And the maturity and strength of patience that permitted that quiet reaped its own benefit again Thursday, in a tense atmosphere before and during the inauguration of President M. G. Scarlett.

Rumors flourished for at least 48 hours preceding the inauguration. They included tales that the campus would be invaded by persons bent on disrupting the inaugural ceremonies. Among the groups which, according to rumors, were planning to visit, were the Southern Student Organizing Committee and the Students for a Democratic Society.

Some of the tales were considerably more than mere rumor, it was learned, but luckily, none of the violence materialized.

At a time when such things do happen, it is commendable that the student body—and more especially, the fraternities—reacted in the calm way they did.

The structure of the campus security on inauguration day was at least four echelons deep, and a volunteer echelon was the MTSU fraternities.

Some laughed at the Greeks who manned the perimeter of the ceremony area. But it was only a preventive measure. They weren't wearing uniforms, and none was planning deliberate provocation.

It is this attitude on the MTSU campus, this patience to await the worthwhile things, that students elsewhere might well duplicate. As this newspaper said earlier this semester, we've our own brand of "activists" here.

Perhaps the "sickness" in America has reached the stomach-turning point.

Michael Goforth

NEWS EDITOR EVALUATES PAST EFFORTS OF ASB

One year ago three men accepted the three highest positions of leadership Middle Tennessee State University students could bestow upon them. Today they leave office; their duties have ended.

History will now evaluate their efforts. This column will be the first attempt to review the administration of James C. Free, Douglas Bennett and Patrick O'Neal.

Other Campuses

CONSIDER: Radical groups at Harvard University have captured buildings, sponsored student strikes and held violent demonstrations in protest of ROTC.

CONSIDER: Students at the University of Tennessee have run into the streets in mass demonstration protesting coed regulations.

CONSIDER: SDS and similar groups advocate student strikes and violent overthrow of uni-

Brooks, in a letter to the editor of this newspaper, challenged the use of Confederate symbols and the playing of "Dixie" in connection with athletic contest and called for their abolishment.

First action came from the ASB Senate. A bill was passed to improve race relations on this campus after Bennett called upon the senate "to take a stand and get involved in campus issues." And take a stand they did as involvement in campus issues remained through out the remainder of the year.

The final action taken by the ASB Congress on Brooks' proposals is questionable. The decision to keep the symbols was reached in a series of technical and parliamentary maneuvers that made some students feel they had been tricked.

The important result of the controversy was that the ASB Congress and the student body at large took a major interest in campus affairs for the first time in major proportions.

The semester changed and the tempo quickened. With just a few months remaining the three MTSU student leaders made every effort to accomplish all they could before leaving office.

'Coed Codes'

At a time when students at other universities were running into the streets in protest and demonstrating in mass for changes in coed regulations, Jim Free launched a campaign for a "Coed Codes" revision here.

The MTSU coeds, in an honorable manner, answered the call by voicing their protests against the antiquated regulations in the form of a petition and confronting members of the Committee on Standards for Women Students with their request for change.

The request was answered by the President of the university. Scarlett formed a new rules committee to study the issue.

Knowing the complexion of the rules study committee, and knowing the attitudes of most of its members, it can be safely expected that the group will soon complete a report that will surprise at least a few students here.

Unicameral

While "Coed Codes" was in the spot light, Bennett and O'Neal had other projects in the planning stages.

Bennett planned a major change in ASB structure with the formation of a unicameral legislature. If the proposal had passed a student referendum, the congress would have been changed from a complicated

two-house system to a one-house system, capable of enacting legislation with out "inefficient, slow, cumbersome and awkward" proceedings, Bennett said.

The proposal was defeated in an eleventh-hour campaign, spearheaded by students who would later form an independent party. Those who opposed the measure felt they would have better representation in a bicameral congress.

Although the measure was defeated, a beneficial change resulted in student attitude toward ASB affairs. The independent students voiced a distinct interest in campus affairs, and an independent party was formed. Although the party was short-lived, an interest was created.

Faculty Evaluation

In the meanwhile, O'Neal was preparing plans for the first major faculty evaluation at MTSU. This program will reflect to the instructor student reaction to his teaching approach and can cause a realization of higher proficiency in education here, if its results are used properly.

The evaluation began last week. Its value will not be known until after all the results are in and a committee can evaluate the program.

ROTC

Recently the ASB Congress passed legislation to abolish compulsory ROTC at MTSU. President Scarlett refused to sign the bill, but did form an ad hoc committee to study the "feasibility of compulsory ROTC."

The university now requires each physically qualified male to complete four semester hours of ROTC before they qualify for graduation from MTSU.

The committee has several alternatives for recommendations concerning these requirements. They may choose to keep the present requirements; they may choose to place ROTC on a voluntary basis immediately; or they may choose to keep the present system until new physical education facilities are available and then change ROTC to a voluntary basis.

Proper Channels

Where some universities have been the victims of violent radical organizations, MTSU students have not had to violently demonstrate to get a voice in the affairs of the university.

The ASB has been able to bring change here by hearing student demands and carrying them through proper channels to the administration, which since last fall has had a ready ear for students' problems.

The university was ready for change, and with the new administration change, was to come.



MICHAEL GOFORTH

versity administrations in order to gain a voice in policy-making.

CONSIDER: Black student groups have used violent takeovers of administrative offices at Memphis State University, also attempting to gain changes in university policy.

CONSIDER: When a program of faculty evaluation was started at the University of Southern California three years ago, problems enumerable faced those initiating the project.

Student Voice

The past ASB administration has been one of great liberation of MTSU. This can not be solely attributed to the ASB but also to the listening ears of the MTSU administration under President M. G. Scarlett.

With the arrival of Scarlett, the university witnessed considerable change in antiquated administration policy. For the first time the student body had a substantial voice in the affairs of the institution as students were given positions on all standing committees of the university and time and again the administration gave favorable action to ASB legislation.

'Dixie'

The first real test came to the 1968-69 ASB in the form of a protest against MTSU's southern heritage. Sylvester Patrick

Letters

Students Offer Suggestions To Facilitate Education

To the editor:

ASB recently sent a resolution to Dr. Scarlett suggesting an extension of library hours. Apparently it is felt that such an extension will facilitate the educational process and thereby make MTSU a better university. Such idealism is a joy to behold, but it is so limited!

We propose an extension of hours for numerous campus activities, thus providing various outlets for the vastly increasing student demand for educational opportunities and facilities.

Such an extension might very well apply to the following:

1. Night classes: to be extended until 11:00 weeknights...what a boon to education!

2. Laboratories: Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Home Economics, Agriculture, Industrial Arts, Earth Science, Languages, and Speech and Theater. The Fine Arts Building should be open until 11:00 p.m. for the hardworking music and art majors!

3. Faculty office hours: As long as the teaching faculty will be on campus, their office hours can be extended. Thus,

if a student has a problem that 10:00 p.m. class, he can count on his advisor being available for consultation.

4. University Center: This is not an educational facility, but students will get hungry a few hours after the supper hour.

5. Bookstore: Professors undoubtedly will ask students to buy books and somebody may need to buy a pencil or an eraser or Cliff's Notes!

6. Business Office: This is also non-educational, but students do run out of money once in a while, especially when they have fines to pay and books to buy. A problem for the library is providing change for the large bills which students often present to us. The Business Office would adequately solve this problem.

7. Administrative Offices: With so many students and faculty on campus, undoubtedly supervision will be necessary!

8. President's Office: In order to provide maximum communication among the students, faculty, and administration, perhaps it would be best for the President to maintain more effective office hours, until 11:00 p.m. at least.

9. Infirmary: The infirmary hours should be extended so as to take care of the masses of students and library personnel with ulcers, nervous breakdowns, exhaustion, and so forth, resulting from overwork and fatigue.

10. Custodial Crews: Due to additional use of buildings, dirt will accumulate and various facilities will need to be refreshed and restocked.

11. Security: More campus police must be available to provide protection from the library to the dorms for the female library staff and the few female students still up.

12. Concessions: For those who can't make the grill, we better make sure the candy and coke machines are full!

Perhaps it is well to note that all students should have access to this wonderful new outpouring of educational opportunity (if it should come to pass). Thus, dormitory hours for all girls will necessarily have to be extended until midnight weeknights. This will allow time for the girls to get in after their last class, and if they wish, to stop in the grill for nourishment after the LONG hard day.

With hope in our hearts for a better MTSU and the expansion of educational opportunity for all,

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Letters to the editor should be sent to Keel Hunt, P.O. Box 42, Campus Mail. They must be signed, as the name will be printed except in unusual instances.

Names will be withheld only by decision of the editorial board or the editor-in-chief. All letters, however, will be kept on file as submitted and will not be released.

McCoy Explains Reasons For Mandatory ROTC

To the Editor:

"Why do I have to waste my time taking ROTC?" "I'm going to join the Army as soon as I graduate." This question and statement has been repeated time after time in the past few weeks by students of this University. This makes about as much sense as saying, "why do I have to go to the Doctor when I am sick, I'll be better in a few days anyway." Just as a Doctor helps a patient

endure pain, so does the ROTC program help a young recruit endure the hardships of the Army.

The student who takes this course learns the basics that will be important to him in the future. In the Army, a cadet is given just a few minutes each day to keep his brass and shoes in top shape. The young man with ROTC training can do this with confidence because he has already mastered the technique. He will already be steps ahead of the other men.

More important than appearance, is the ability of one to take care of himself. Many students enter college green from the city. Some have never seen a rifle, much less fired one. In this course the cadet not only learns how to fire the rifle, but he also learns the basic parts and the functions of each part. This rifle that he is learning about may one day be his most important asset.

These advantages are, however, greatly overshadowed by a very important quality. In ROTC class, the cadet learns the capabilities of his country's enemies. With this knowledge, his will to fight is made greater and his patriotism is increased.

Many people say that it will do no good to make someone take college military training if he doesn't desire it. But this statement has been disproved by the example of the late President Eisenhower. Mr. Eisenhower entered West Point with no intention of a military career. He came to school to do what he thought he was best at, play football. But while at West Point, Mr. Eisenhower broke his knee and was never able to play football again. Some of the leaders of the school were even going to dismiss him from West Point. They thought that he could no longer be of service to them. They finally decided, however, that his military training might one day benefit the country. As history has shown us, Mr. Eisenhower's training that he received did indeed benefit the country.

With our country's future at stake, I, for one, consider the advantages of college military training well worth the couple of hours that I put into it each week.

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Free Press Open to All

To the Editor:

With the close of the academic year approaching, I feel a necessity to speak to each of you concerning our high school publications.

Certainly it is of utmost importance that we continue to step forward in a youthful and free-speaking manner so we might inform our fellow students and those adults in responsible positions of today's progressively minded young people.

We, as the new generation, hold a new desire, a new venture, a new hope for the future. We are expected to free the nation from the turmoil which exists. If any have failed before us then we are told to overlook them and step forward with an earnest want to accomplish what has never been accomplished before. I support this sentiment and ask any of you, who do not, to step back and allow the other man his chance; perhaps, he will be more representative, more a part of what we stand for as free youth.

It is by no means an impossible mission; in now way are we doomed to complete and utter failure. Rather, it is entirely possible to leave for the generation which follow a society fully oriented with the desires and feelings of a progressive, peaceful, and free-speaking people. I come to you, asking the future. You are the future.

Sincerely yours,
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Letter From the Editor: Hunt Receives CAMMS Letter

We received a letter Wednesday. It bore no signature, but at the bottom, there were those five initials "CAMMS." Its mysterious author was highly complimentary of recent actions by a group of campus dissidents, and equally as critical of SIDELINES editorial policy.

The letter will not be published, since its lack of signature violates SIDELINES policy. Letters "must be signed. . . Names will be withheld only by decision on the editorial board or the editor-in-chief."

This column is written to

offer a greater public notice of that fact, in addition to the box that appears on most editorial pages.

The CAMMS letter, however, will be retained in our files, as usual. Its author may come by the SIDELINES offices, 100 SUB, and place his signature and post office box number beneath the letter. Until then, it cannot be considered for publication.

The letter speaks in opposition to the April 28 editorial "Anti-ROTC Incidents Prove Questionable." An excerpt

from the anonymous letter: "If you want the real opinions of the students, print the CAMMS side of the issue (the letter) and let the students reply. Or are you afraid that you might find the truth?"

Actually, we're trying to do little else. You know, Robert Shelton and his boys also hide behind masks. And they burn crosses instead of ROTC letters.

Keel Hunt
Editor-in-Chief

Burgener Leads Raiders to 5-4 Victory Over ETSU With Two Wins

Jim Burgener led the Raiders to a close 5-4 victory over East Tennessee State Saturday afternoon by winning in both singles and doubles.

Burgener dropped his man 6-4, 2-6, 6-4 to take the win in the singles competition, and teamed with Charlie Beckham to win in doubles 13-11, 6-4.

The close scores tell the story, with all the above matches going into extra ads.

Mike Albano got the squad off right with a well-played 6-3, 6-3 win, but Chick Fuller was defeated 6-0, 6-4 in the Number 2 spot.

Lee Mayo gave the Raiders the lead again on his 8-6, 7-5 win.

Beckham lost, Burgener won, and Paul Valentinic won to set the stage for the deciding doubles matches.

Albano-Valentinic lost by a 7-5, 4-6, 6-2 margin, Mayo-Fuller were defeated 6-4, 6-0, but Beckham-Burgener came through with a win to snare the team victory.

Linkmen Are Second in Murray Tourney With 588 Total

Middle Tennessee captured second place in the Murray State Golf Invitational over the weekend with a total of 588 over the 36-hole course.

Art Kraft led the team with his 145, along with Joel Perantie, to take second place in the individual standings.

The tournament, won by Northeast Louisiana, with a 585 total drew some ten colleges and universities around the south. Louisiana won the event last year as well.



LOOK AT THE SCOREBOARD AND SEE WHO'S BEHIND. The scoreboard tells exactly what's happening in this photo, with Tommy Eiselstein taking a mighty cut and connecting on the A & I pitch. The Raiders split the games, winning this game but losing the second game of the double-header in action at Nashville.

MTSU led the first round of action, with a 292 total at the half-way point. Kraft shot a 68 to lead the field, followed by Perantie with a 73, Mike Whiteside at 74, and Clay Hol-loway and Ernie Adcock with 77's.

Final team standings and individual scoring went like this:

TEAM STANDINGS
Northeast La. 585; MTSU 588; Austin Peay 591; Murray St. 592; Morehead 597; Illinois St. 601; Western Kentucky 604; Southern Illinois 607; Tennessee Tech 610; Eastern Kentucky 615; Southwest Mo. 625.

INDIVIDUAL
144—Terry Peddy, Northeast La.
145—Art Kraft, MTSU; Randy Feather, Austin Peay; George Cascino, Murray; Joel Perantie, MTSU; Rick Whitfield, Western.
146—Wayne Paddy, Northeast La.; Joe Spannuoh, Morehead.
147—Brad Lowther, Northeast La.



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Wyatt, Mile Relay Sets Meet Marks in TIC: Tennessee Wins Over Tech

Tennessee's Vols came to town and went away happy winners Friday and Saturday in the Tennessee Intercollegiate track meet held on the Horace Jones Field.

Chuck Rohl's Vols went into the meet a heavy-favorite to win, but by the end of Friday's competition, they found themselves in second place behind a strong Tech team.

reason: Many of the strong Vol squad were competing in the Quantico Relays in Virginia and their whole track squad was not here for this meet.

MTSU was in third place along with ETSU at the end of the first day of action and finished fourth at the end of the meet.

David Lipscomb held off a strong Fisk uprising to take the College Division, behind the mile-three-mile wins by Andy Russell.

Tennessee won nine of the thirteen events and set two records in their debut here over the weekend.

Middle Tennessee competed just as exceptional, as they set two new meet records themselves in the 440-intermediate hurdles and the mile relay.

It went something like this. Terry Scott won the triple jump with a tremendous leap of 48-1 1/2 inches.

In the discus, the Tennessee high school champ last year, Tom Carmichael, won the event

in a splendid toss of 158-3, while Jon Edwards was second from MTSU.

John Jordan placed fourth in the javelin, finishing behind the Tech winner, while Scott was third in the broad jump.

Edwards came through in the shot-put, finishing second, and the 440-relay team finished third.

Dave Wyatt showed everyone why he's one of the top intermediate hurdlers in the South by racing through the event in 52.9, a new meet and school record, while Phil Gardner was fourth in the 120-high hurdles.

McElhaney and Jerry Singleton thrilled everyone in the duel in the quarter.

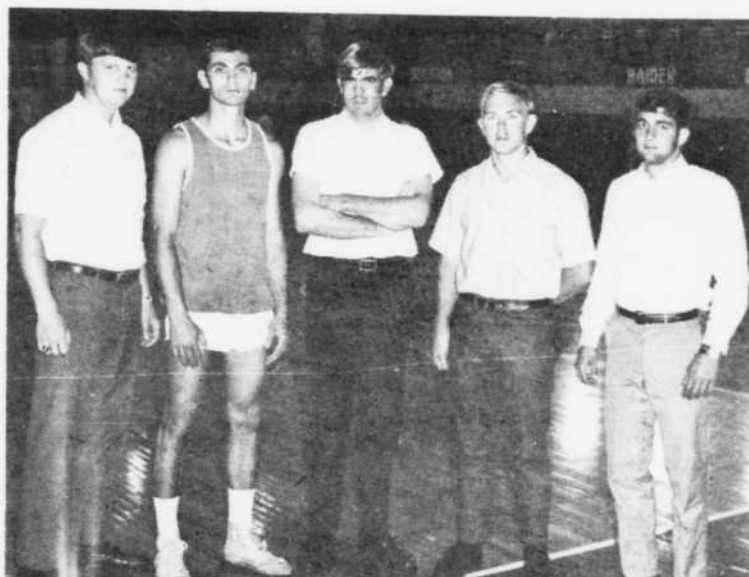
Earlier in the year, Singleton had run the fastest 600 in the nation this year, only to have McElhaney run it faster the next night in another meet.

This race was close all the way, but the Vol ace edged Singleton the last few yards to win the event in the tremendous time of 47.1.

Other results find Erskine Smith finishing fifth in the 100, Charlie Dahlgren fifth in the mile, and Cecil Wright fifth in the pole vault.

But it wasn't over yet, folks. MTSU has the 12th fastest mile relay team in the nation, and the Vols have one equally as great

The event was close most of the way, but the Raiders won in a splendid 3:12, a new meet and school record.



LOOK MEAN? These players have finished on top of MTSU's intramural basketball program, one of the toughest around. The Roadrunners are one of the toughest and the best, with a second string that could beat many teams. From left to right are: Jim Fitzgerald, Phil Parker, Tom Watson, Stan Wills, and Jim Temple. Not present for the picture were Barney Oldfield, Mark Morgan, Craig Chapman, Woody Hunter, Tom Austin, Bobby Watson, and Ardie Knight.



WHAT'S HAPPENING? Tim Ellis, shown kicking the ball during the soccer tournament in which MTSU finished third, tries to maneuver the ball to a teammate. Looking on are Ben Sarabi, on the left, and Max Garcia is seeing the action on the right side of the field.

Soccer Team Captures

3rd in Tournament

MTSU's soccer team finished third in the soccer tournament held last weekend in Nashville.

The team lost to the International Nashville team in the semifinals and won in the consolation finals to capture the trophy.

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WMOT Will Feature Free, Martin

Faulk Speaks Tomorrow

Jim Free and Van Martin, the outgoing and newly inaugurated ASB presidents respectively, will be featured on a half-hour interview at 8 p.m. tonight over WMOT-FM, 89.5, the new campus radio station.

They will be joined by the past ASB vice-presidents, Doug Bennett and Pat O'Neal.

The ASB officials will be interviewed by Ray Hollis and Rhea Cole, both of WMOT-FM news, and Keel Hunt, editor-in-chief of the SIDELINES and Michael Goforth, SIDELINES news editor.

Bill Peters, editor of Collage and WMOT news director, will serve as moderator for the question-and-answer session.

"The material for the show will concern the Free administration and the effects of the

ASB," Peters said. "Questions have been asked concerning what has been initiated in the past, and what the ASB expects to accomplish in the future."

Peters indicated that the show on student government and campus politics--first of its kind here--will serve as a type of "pilot" program.

Doug Vernier, station director and member of the speech and theater faculty, said station employees will await a general campus response, however, before making any definite plans for the regular show.

Martin will be inaugurated at 6:30 tonight along with Cliff Gillespie, new speaker of the house, and Miss Sara Smith, new speaker of the senate.

Peters said Miss Smith and

Gillespie have not been asked to attend the Monday broadcast, "but they will probably be included in one of the later shows."

A final display of intellectual virtuosity will determine the victorious team in the Intra College Bowl.

The two teams which have emerged from the series--Pe Gamma Mu and the French Club--will face each other in a final confrontation on Tuesday night at 7 p.m. in the U.C. Theatre.

To climax the evening, a student all-star team will challenge members of the faculty to match their quick recall ability and reservoir of knowledge.

John Henry Faulk, Texas humorist and television personality, will speak on student rights including the Tinker Case in his featured appearance, entitled "Courage to be Free," tomorrow morning at 11:00 in the DA Auditorium.

The Tinker Case was a recent U.S. Supreme Court case in which the court established the rights of students in regard to institutional regulations. Faulk wrote his views on the case in the March 1967 issue of the "Readers' Digest."

Faulk will make two other addresses today. "American Humor Texas Style" will be the 2 p.m. topic, and tonight at 7:30 he will speak on "Israel Must Live" in the UC Theatre.

The coming of Faulk has been jointly announced by Charles Ray, president of the Pre-Law Society, and Jim Free, president of the ASB. Faulk's appearance was arranged through Norman L. Parks, head of the political science department.

ROTC Ball Scheduled

"To the Colors" will be the theme of the Track & Sabre Club's military ball Friday, Tom Helton, club president, said Friday.

The ball will be at 7:30 p.m. in the Alumni Memorial Gymnasium. Tickets for the all-campus dance are \$2.50 per couple, Helton added, and they may be obtained from the ROTC offices, Forre Hall.

Library Lifts Fines

All overdue MTSU library books may be returned during the period May 4-13, 1969, with no fines charged and "no questions" asked regardless of how long books may have been overdue, announced John Marshall, university librarian, last Friday.

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