

University studies fraternity dorm complex

MTSU is considering a "dormitory-type complex" to house fraternities on campus, Harry Wagner, vice-president of student affairs, said.

A complex of this type would be built to serve all fraternities and would be justified in terms of a housing unit, he said.

Fraternities involved in this type of housing would be obligated to fill a certain number of resident spaces. A prorata fee would be charged for the use of a central meeting room.

A study of similar facilities at other institutions

By Janet Basse

is presently being undertaken by a group led by Paul Cantrell, associate dean of students.

The group will investigate the success of this concept at a number of schools, including the University of South Carolina, the College of William and Mary, Louisiana Tech and Duke University.

Following the investigation, administrators will ask for a reaction to the proposal by the fraternities.

"As yet, we have only

discussed with fraternities the possibility of such a concept on our campus," Wagner said. "No reaction is expected until our study has been completed."

A complex of this type would allow more groups to move in at a minimum cost, he said.

"Housing on campus is operating at full capacity now," Wagner said. "Thus, any housing complex could be met with favor by those who will decide if fraternities should move on campus."

Availability of parking space, recreational area

available and the removal of fraternities from residential areas were cited by Wagner as advantages of the proposed concept.

"There will be as much flexibility as possible in the planning of this project, if accepted," he said.

The investigation of similar facilities should be completed by the end of this term, Wagner said.

"If our proposal proves favorable, we will attempt with all haste to get the project underway," he said.

The proposed complex would be located on the southeast corner of the campus.

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Siesta

Patsy Fyke stops to pet one of the dogs that visits campus regularly. (Photo by Linda Sissom)

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Committee to sponsor Leon Russell concert

The special events committee and Joe Sullivan of Sound Seventy Productions in Nashville will present The Leon Russell Show Saturday, April 28, in the Murphy Center.

"Everything has been signed for the Russell concert," Sullivan said Tuesday. "It will probably be about a three hour show since there will not be another band."

The special events committee passed a resolution at their last meeting that permits Joe Sullivan to contract groups for MTSU.

The special events committee will give their suggestions on performers to Sullivan and he in turn contacts the group and books them.

The committee originally booked James Taylor but his agent sent Harold Smith a letter to inform him that Tay-

lor would not come to this area.

"As far as the Russell concert, I have not seen a signed contract yet but I feel certain we will get him," Harold Smith, committee supervisor, said yesterday. "I don't know anything about ticket prices or times for the concert."

Sullivan, who attended the last special events meeting, offered suggestions to the committee for a concert this summer that included Traffic, Emerson, Lake and Palmer, Deep Purple, Rod Stewart and the Faces and Humble Pie.

The committee expressed their desire to Sullivan to book The Who for the summer.

"The Who isn't touring yet and no one knows when they will but when they do I'll make every effort to book them for Murfreesboro," Sullivan said.

WDCN show to involve MTSU students, faculty

A television program for WDCN-TV, Channel 2, entitled "Perspective--Higher Education" is currently being developed by the Associated Student Body of MTSU, said John Jackson, ASB president yesterday.

A pilot show will be taped this summer for review and to determine the best permanent format the program should employ, Jackson said.

"Gaylord Ayers, program director for WDCN was very receptive to the idea of the program and

suggested a 13 week series," he said.

The format of the proposed program could take one of several directions. These formats are: a "meet the press" type of show with students asking questions of officials on matters of student concern, a show with a careers emphasis, such as having a student journalist discussing problems with a professional journalist and a round table discussion on issues.

The latter format would
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Computer network

Todd Library to join Solinet

Todd Library will soon be a member of Solinet, a computer network which is under development by the Association of South-eastern Research Libraries Don Craig, assistant librarian, said.

"This system will be modeled after the Ohio College Library Center, which has been very successful," Craig said.

Somewhere in the area, consisting of 10 states, a central headquarters will house the computer and each library that belongs to the association will have a computer terminal connected to other members with a telephone line.

These computers will help librarians with clerical catalog card production, interlibrary loan information and information needed in ordering materials.

"Eventually we also hope to have periodical references fed into the computer so this can be used by students," Craig said.

A director is to be chosen this summer and equipment ordered in 1974 with the entire system

starting by January, 1975, Craig said.

Other new additions to the library include an expansion in the microtext area with the addition of 89,647 microfiche.

The Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) Microfiche is produced by a nationwide network and provides bibliographies, critical reviews, summaries, educational developments and research findings on microfiche.

Student and faculty assistance in the microtext area is offered by Emily Stinson. A Recordak Reader-Printer reads microfiche and microfilm and will also make a copy for 10 cents per page.

On the bottom floor of the library there is a new panel wall which will house the Mid-Ten Cooperative Film Service until the new Learning Resources Center is completed, Craig said.

This system is supported by 22 school systems and private schools and maintains a collection of

over 4,500 films used by the schools.

Each participating system contributes 50 cents per student a year for the operation of the library. Three full-time workers and a small van are used to circulate the films each two-week period.

A seminar room has been made available to small groups for studying purposes.

WDCN...

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involve a wide range of possible participants, both students and non-students, Jackson said.

The program will be filmed locally involving students, faculty, and mass communications students, with the technical costs being absorbed by WDCN at a minimal cost to the university.

"There is a good possibility that eventually other area schools will become involved in the show. However, the program will

Board fills top posts for SIDELINES staff

The two top SIDELINES posts for the Summer semester were filled by the interim board of publication yesterday.

Paul Fischer, Manchester junior, was selected to be editor-in-chief. Ronnie Vannatta, Shelbyville junior, was selected to be business manager.

Fischer and Brenda Lane, Murfreesboro senior, competed for the editor-in-chief post. Vannatta and Freda Blackwell, Nashville junior, vied for

the position of business manager.

Glenn Himebaugh, SIDELINES advisor, said of the selection, "I feel that four qualified people applied and two of them got it."

"I don't remember an election when all of the candidates were as highly qualified," Himebaugh said.

Fischer has served as news coordinator and assistant news editor. He is a journalism major.

Vannatta, a business major, is now advertising manager for SIDELINES. He has served as advertising coordinator and an advertising salesman for SIDELINES. Vannatta has worked on SIDELINES since the Spring, 1972 semester.

The interim board of publications was appointed by President M. G. Scarlett to select student publications officers in November, 1972.

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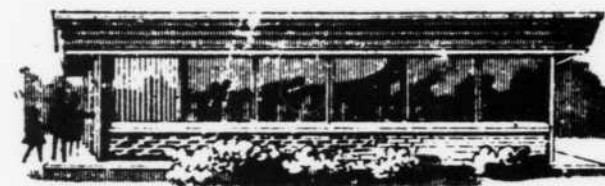
MTSU's Circle K Club is sponsoring the Miss MTSU Pageant on March 23 and 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the Dramatic Arts Theater.

Twenty female students from MTSU are participating; they are representing a variety of sororities, fraternities, clubs and organizations.

Saturday night's winner will represent MTSU in the Miss Tennessee Pageant. If she wins there, she will go to the Miss America Pageant.

"To represent MTSU is a great honor and privilege, but it can open up some doors to those who would like for it too. Especially, if the girl is working for a career as a model or actress," said one contestant.

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News

Bob Hope to perform 'in the round' April 5

Comedian Bob Hope will perform "in-the-round" Thursday, April 5 at 8 p.m. in Murphy Center, Bill Smotherman, facilities manager, said.

Hope will be joined by the Ides of March, who appeared at MTSU last year, and Mary Travers of Peter, Paul and Mary fame, Smotherman said.

Tickets for the two hour entertainment went on sale March 13 and are now being sold daily 10 a.m.-3 p.m. in the post office area of the University Center, he said.

Each student may receive a \$1.00 discount on the price of his ticket, if purchased before April 5, by showing his I.D. to the sales personnel, Smotherman said.

Students are advised to buy their tickets as soon

as possible, he said.

Student I.D.'s must be shown at the gate with discount tickets, he said, so that the number of students attending can be recorded.

Each entertainer or group will give a 30 minute performance with Ides of March beginning, he said, and the entire show will be "in-the-round."

The performance was arranged when MTSU received an inquiry from Bob Hope's business manager in October, and is a part of one of several tours of colleges Hope is making throughout the country, Smotherman said.

A welcoming ceremony for Hope is in the planning stages at this time and students will be informed of the exact arrangements at a later date, Smotherman said.

International Week approaches

"International Week," sponsored annually by MTSU's International Interest Committee, will be held March 25-30. Rick Figari, committee chairman, said today.

Plans for the "Welcome to Your World" banquet, featuring an international menu and fashion show, will highlight this year's event, Figari said.

The banquet, which will be held March 30 in the Tennessee Room of the Student Union Building will host MTSU students from 35 foreign countries. A guest speaker will address the group.

On March 29 the movie "Fiasco in Milan" will be

shown free in the University Center Theatre. The Italian comedy, starring Claudia Cardinale and Vittorio Gassman, will begin at 6:30 p.m.

A reception in honor of Ignacio Solano-Manrique, cultural attache and counselor to the Columbian embassy, will be held in the Foreign Language House at 1417 E. Main St. following the movie.

Next week, flags representing the 35 nations that are the home countries of MTSU students will be displayed in the library, Figari said.

"The purpose of this series of events is to promote the cultural, geographical, political and economic understanding of the different nations represented here at MTSU," Figari said.

MTSU to host OVC drill team competition

MTSU will host the Ohio Valley Conference drill team meet tomorrow beginning at noon in the new parking lot next to Murphy Center.

Twelve area squads will compete in the event, including four coeducational teams. The meet will decide champions for the Ohio Valley Conference.

An all-girl team from East Tennessee State University, which has reigned as conference champions for three years, will compete in the meet.

The Pershing Rifles national championship team, located at Western Kentucky University, is also scheduled to participate in the meet.

A first, second and third place trophy will be awarded for both OVC and MTSU competition. A special trophy will be available for coed competition.

Grill to honor meal tickets according to set schedule

Meal tickets honored by the Slater Food Services at MTSU will be accepted in limited numbers at the University Center Grill beginning Sunday, Bill Bennett, Slater director, said yesterday.

Bennett explained that because of the high number of ticket holders, only a portion of the over 1300 patrons could use the Grill for their evening meal on any single night.

The following schedule has been prepared for Slater customers:

Sunday evening--freshman numbers 1-350 will be allowed to eat in the Grill; **Monday**---numbers 351-650; **Tuesday**---numbers 651-1000 and **Wednesday**-- numbers 1001-1350.

An allowance of \$1.28 will be given at the Grill but no seconds will be allowed, he said. Meal hours will be from 4:30 p.m. until 6 p.m.

"We've offered this service every spring for about three years," Bennett said. "Use of the Grill goes down during the spring and we can accommodate ticket holders more easily."

"But because of the Grill's size, we just couldn't let everyone eat there at once," he said. "We hope that by rotating the numbers, everybody will get a chance to eat at least one meal a week in the Grill."

"It should break the monotony of cafeteria eating," he said.

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Opinion

Congress must face Nixon's challenge

Editorial

"This is just unbelievable."

Sen. John Tunney of California uttered the preceding remark when he heard Patrick Gray, acting FBI chief, admit sending confidential FBI documents to White House counsel John Dean, who doubles as Richard Nixon's personal lawyer.

The most "unbelievable" part of Gray's statement was the fact that he refused to supply the same information to Tunney or any other Senator.

Gray's revelation was made during a session of the Senate Judiciary Committee. This committee is currently studying confirmation of Gray as permanent FBI director.

This refusal by Gray to release to Congress the same information he provided Dean is just one more example of Nixon administration's attempts to suppress information.

FBI information released during the "trial" of

the Watergate defendants indicated that Dean had suggested to Nixon's re-election committee that they hire Gordon Liddy. During this same trial Liddy pleaded guilty to charges that he had indeed illegally entered the Democratic National Headquarters.

Naturally, the Judicial Committee wanted to question Dean, but they were prevented from doing so.

President Nixon has extended his cloak of "executive privilege" to protect Dean. Nixon has implied that this protection will be extended to all other White House aides who are asked to provide supply testimony about the Watergate case.

Nixon has even gone as far as to dare Congress to challenge his wielding of this executive "power."

Congress must accept this challenge.

Congress has strong subpoena powers, which are constitutionally guaranteed. The Senate should subpoena Dean. If he refuses to testify, he should be charged with contempt of the Senate. Dean should then be tried.

Hopefully, his conviction could bring about a reversal of power from the hands of Richard Nixon back to the American people.

Perhaps then America would finally realize how tricky Dicky is.

Reader calls letter ignorant

To the Editor:

Don O'Guin's letter in the March 6 **SIDELINES** is typical of the ignorance displayed by most students on this campus. These people have no right to put down the Special Events Committee when they don't know what the hell the situation is.

The committee has been trying hard to make sure what they do bring will please everyone. First off, the committee did not bring Bob Hope. If you don't like that, hack at the administration awhile.

On the questionnaire the committee listed some of the biggest names you can find, and what happened? Standing at the table where people were filling them out I heard many times people say, "Who are Emerson, Lake, and Palmer?", "Who is The Who?"

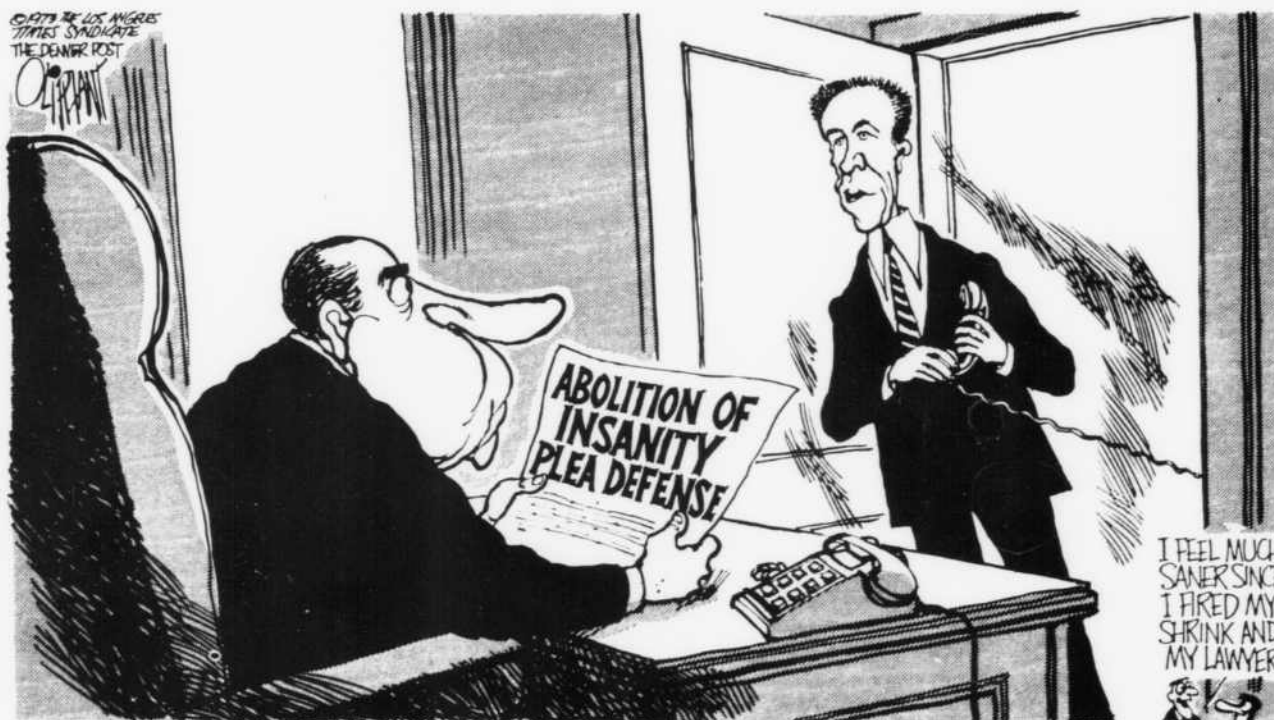
No wonder Sonny and Cher won the poll; they were probably the only ones that any of the people were familiar with. How about the Partridge Family or the Osmonds, kiddies?

Students don't seem to have any idea of the work encompassed in putting on a concert. When a concert is finally put on it will be what the students picked, and if you don't like it, blame yourselves.

If you really want to do something about it, join the committee and change it. Maybe it is the students on this campus that are lackluster and not so much the entertainment.

By the way, O'Guin, the Hanford elephants got into the gym with no sweat.

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Comment

Parent group attacks classroom 'pornography'

A small controversy appeared on the evening news recently in Nashville. The Concerned Parents Association (CPA), previously dealing only with busing and attempts to have it stopped, has broadened its efforts to include, among other things, concern about pornography.

It seems a high school English class went to see the movie "A Separate Peace," based on the novel by John Knowles. Written permission from parents was required, and the show was rated--sit down--PG, parental guidance suggested.

On the Other Hand

The school thinks it was good literature and good drama; the CPA spokesman called it "a movie about homosexuals" and decried its sanction by the school.

I have neither seen the movie nor read the book, but my brother taught the novel in high school, and there was no opposition. There is no sex scene in the book, although it is quite possible that the movie plays up the relationship and rivalry of two young boys in a boarding school. But carrying a PG rating, it could not be too bad.

In another incident, I can remember when a citizen in my home town stood up before a group meeting in a church (not about this subject) and decried the fact that the youth of the town were being subjected to that filthy and worthless book, "1984."

The objection must have been that there is a (heterosexual) love scene or two in the

By Ray Notgrass

book, which demonstrated the survival of human feelings in an inhuman world.

Certainly these individuals have the right to speak out against whatever they wish, and at least they take an interest in what goes on in public schools. But they are, mildly speaking, off base; bluntly speaking, they are dead wrong and not very aware.

What is allowable for our innocents to read? Scarlett O'Hara is molested in a freed slave camp and is in love with a married man in "Gone With the Wind." Pearl Buck writes of childbirth in "The Good Earth."

The author of "The Red Badge of Courage," Stephen Crane, also wrote "Maggie: A Girl of the Streets;" guess what that's about? And we all know what that scarlet "A" on Hester Prynne's chest stood for: it wasn't her g.p.a.

There is a line, of course. I wouldn't recommend "Deep Throat" to a sex education class, because that is smut, pure and simple. I would rather not have J. D. Salinger's "Catcher in the Rye" on my child's reading list, mainly because there are other books that accomplish the same purpose with less vulgarity, effective though "Catcher" may be.

This is the problem one runs into about the public and public education. Nobody tells Joe Everyman how to do his job. But Everyman tells Fred Teacher exactly what is on his mind. This is okay, because Joe Everyman pays Fred Teacher's salary.

But the vast majority of people do not

know, perhaps do not care, about the educational process. That is why I am opposed to popularly-elected school superintendents. An appointed one may be a political crony, but there is a good chance he will be a qualified educator.

Heaven helps from screening committees that would review proposed reading lists--just like avoiding those civilian review boards which have sometimes haunted police forces. They don't work, they don't permit the institutions to do their job: educating the young, or keeping the peace.

I am not anti-democratic, especially about a public that has given us "Four More Years." Our government and country could not survive without the input of public opinion, and I would not want it to.

But the word that comes to mind is mobocracy, the feeling that tolerated putting Japanese-Americans in camps during the Second World War, that brought on lynch mobs, the democratic way that sometimes does not act democratically.

Nor am I saying educators should have a free hand. The same reason reporters should not have "absolute" rights to withhold sources: nobody has an absolute right to anything in this country. Educators guilty of gross malfeasance must answer to the citizenry. There must be a recognition by both sides that the other has a role to play, but must not dominate the other so as to destroy its effectiveness.

After all, haven't you heard that the battle against porn has been picked up by that greatest of civil liberties organizations, the Ku Klux Klan?

Fund sharing causes Day Care problems

Revenue sharing, every state's friend, did not reveal her tender rewards before our legislators had signed her marriage certificate and said, "We do."

The federal government's answer to many of Tennessee's problems appeared at first to be the sweetest thing this side of heaven.

Congressman Ray Blanton, defeated Democratic senatorial candidate, forewarned Tennesseans of what he termed the "disadvantages of revenue sharing" which we will be facing in a matter of weeks.

Our cities can give pay increases to civil workers, buy new police cars, institute canine patrols and think about remedying our sewage problems, but can they maintain or support our day care centers?

Day-care centers, the working mother's second husband, (if she is one of the ever growing number of people who are almost eligible for welfare), provide the necessary educational, environmental and nutritional necessities for her children.

MTSU's day-care center is just one of the governmental programs that will be affected by the new Health, Education, and Welfare Department guidelines.

Cheryl Claude, a 25 year-old mother whose husband deserted her and her five-year-old daughter, said the new HEW guidelines became law March 16.

This means federal money to the needy, divorced working mothers, in particular, was cut back or cut off, she said.

For example, a working mother with two children who earns \$188 per month, with one child in school and the other in a day care center, is no longer eligible to send her child to a day-care center because her monthly income exceeds \$153 per month.

"I want everyone to be aware of what is taking place," Claude said.

"Not only am I affected, but, in my estimate, many others are affected."

By Bill Smith

"I am a working mother who has met the qualifications to be a teacher but I couldn't find a position. I work as a waitress and under the new guidelines I would be forced to give up my job and get on welfare in order to take care of my daughter," she said.

"I can't afford to enter her in kindergarten or pay a baby sitter due to the fact that there aren't many jobs available and I am attending UT-Nashville two nights a week so that I might receive my masters," Claude said.

Citizens throughout Tennessee and the nation need to be aware that an increase in the number of welfare recipients is highly probable. Cities will find themselves trying to institute some type of program financed with the revenue sharing funds they receive.

Will this be enough? Doubtfully.

What can we do to remedy the current situation? Claude, along with concerned people, urges that citizens, citizen groups, organizations and city officials appeal to the President, Senators Bill Brock and Howard Baker, Representatives Robin Beard and Richard Fulton, as well as state legislators.

"Your opinions need to be stressed to your representatives," Claude said.

Congressman Ray Blanton pointed out the fallacies of the revenue sharing program in an interview on Sept. 23, 1972, with WKRM (Columbia) News Director David Potts.

Blanton said, "The Senate passed a version of the bill that would cut \$119 million of the federal funds that are coming to Tennessee because it does away with all of the social-services money, aid to the blind, the elderly and the poor."

The money lost "would have to be made up through county, city and state taxes," Blanton said.

On Sept. 30, 1972 in an interview with Potts, Sen. Howard Baker said in response to Blanton's remarks, "I think what Congressman Blanton was talking about has nothing to do with revenue sharing. He's talking about the social services bill which was



Budget cuts may drastically affect the lives of day care children and their working mothers.

added to revenue sharing as an amendment in the house."

"Revenue sharing is a concept I helped originate. It's going to mean an upward of a \$100 million of new money in the state of Tennessee, distributed directly to cities and counties, in the state essentially without strings attached," Baker said.

"It's going to give us a fresh new lease on life," he said.

This appears to have been a political swapout, with the right hand of the federal government giving the cities, counties and the state an additional \$100 million and taking an equal, or greater amount, away with the left hand, in the Nixon administration's recently announced cut backs that either do away with, or cut back funds.

Endowment program

Glasgow assists in creation

A new program was developed in the fall of 1971 enabling persons under age 30 to obtain grants for research projects in the humanities, Vaughn Glasgow, art department instructor said.

Glasgow, one of the 20 youth grant panelists of the National Endowment for Humanities, was invited to Washington with other panel members to advise Congress on the creation of this program.

"The panel consists of people, primarily college-age, who have done something outstanding for the humanities," Glasgow said. "I was chosen because of a project I had done on architectural history," he said.

Panel members meet three times a year to evaluate proposals which have been processed by a staff in Washington.

They rate these proposals in order of importance and decide which projects the endowment will fund.

Approximately 20 per cent of the projects are funded at a total sum of about \$125,000, Glasgow said.

"One guy is recording and analyzing Cajan music through a grant under the youth program of the endowment.

"Those proposals which

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are most thoroughly thought out and well-organized are given top priority during our evaluation," he said. "It is also important that the proposal include a realistic and detailed budget."

The panel received 130 applications for proposals during its last meeting in July.

"The number of appli-

Panelists study applications for endowments

cations grows each time, making the competition tougher," Glasgow said.

Thirty is the maximum age limit of applicants, but there is no minimum limit.

"A proposal by a 13-year-old is now under consideration," he said.

Applications are received from all over the U.S., but "relatively few come from the rural south."

"We would be pleased to see more applications from this part of the country," Glasgow said.

Projects proposed include anything under the heading of liberal arts, with the exception of the

practice of the art itself.

"This is one of the very few programs which sponsors independent projects by younger people, a group usually knocked out by those who are older, with more professional experience," he said.

The endowment will not fund graduate thesis for a masters or a Ph.D. because "universities have programs for this funding."

Glasgow will become ineligible for a position as panelist upon reaching age 30.

The youth grant program is administered through the Planning and Analysis Office of the National Endowment for Humanities, headed by Armen Tashdikian.

Application forms and material concerning the program can be obtained by writing the youth grant coordinator, Nancy Moses, National Endowment for Humanities, Washington, D.C., Glasgow said.



Barber?

A student gets a free haircut on the steps of Rutledge Hall while others look on and enjoy the music.

Center aids troubled students

Advice and assistance concerning vocational guidance tests, undecided majors or emotional problems may be obtained from MTSU's Guidance and Counseling Center, located on the second floor of the Administration Building.

The counseling service is staffed with four full-time counselors, which include James Martin, director; James Covington, assistant director; F. R. Hawk, associate clinician, and F. W. Poole, clinician, who are available to students from 8 a.m. through 5 p.m. each Monday through Friday.

These counselors are interested in helping each individual student with their specific problems, Martin said.

"If we don't have the facilities or the capacity to help them, we can refer them to someone who can."

One method of preventing emotional problems in later campus years is to try and see personally each incoming freshmen, Martin said.

Other students either come to the counseling service on their own, or by referrals (sometimes by a friend or one of their teachers who sense they are having some trouble with their work), he said.

The counseling staff also employs a full-time psychologist, Bette Harrell, who gives vocational guidance tests, MTSU graduate school entrance tests, the GED for students who did not receive their high

school diploma, the ACT test and National Teachers Examinations.

Harrell also monitors those students who take tests by correspondence courses, Martin said.

Dr. John Wilson of Vanderbilt University serves as the psychiatric consultant who comes to MTSU each Saturday from 8 a.m. until noon. Appointments are made only through the counseling service, Martin said.

"Once in a while, a student is advised to quit

Occasionally a student is advised to quit school

school if he can't function as academically well as he should," Martin said.

However, he added that situations like this rarely occur.

The Guidance and Counseling Center was organized in 1961 when Quill E. Cope, president of MTSU, appointed Martin the director. At the time, Martin was teaching six hours. Besides counseling, he had only a part-time secretary and the counseling service was located in the northeast corner of Old Main.

In March, 1965, the office was moved to its present location in the Administration Building, and in July of the same year the services of Covington was obtained. At that time Martin quit teaching.

Since that time, the staff has grown to seven.

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Sports

Baseball team schedules first home game

Weather permitting, the Blue Raider baseball team will play their first home game of the season today at 2:30 p.m. The Raiders will host Fisk University.

Captaining this year's team is senior Ed Robichaud from Port Deposit, Md. Robichaud has led the Raiders in hitting each of his three seasons here.

Normally a center-fielder, Robichaud will possibly be used at other positions this season in addition to the outfield. Blue Raider Coach A. H. "Lefty" Solomon indicated the possibility of Robichaud's playing first or third base.

First base is presently occupied by alternate captain Tom Owens, a transfer from Spartanburg (S.C.) Junior College. Owens led the Raiders in home runs during the fall schedule. At Spartanburg last year, he hit .454.

Senior Les Price, a three-year letterman from Jasper, is the other alternate captain. Previously, Price was the Blue's third baseman, but according to Coach Solomon he has had arm troubles and has now "found a home at second base."

Last year, Price led the team in runs batted in with 28; coincidentally, he collected only 28 hits. Clarksville, Ind. sophomore Danny Gibson is Price's back-up at second.

Pressing Owens hard for

the first sacker's job is freshman Denton Peters from McMinnville. On the Florida trip, against Jacksonville, Peters had three RBI's.

Taking over the third base chores is Pulaski senior Marcus Calsor. "Calsor played well the last three games in Florida," Solomon said, "he had several key hits and gave a good defensive effort."

Also doing a "real good job" in the infield according to Coach Solomon is shortstop Steve Zitney, a freshman from Shelbyville.

Behind the plate for the Raiders is junior college transfer Scott Sain from Mill Springs, N.C. "Sain has been in a slump," Solomon said, "but he will come back." Sain hit two home runs on the Florida trip.

The outfield is "wide open" according to Solomon, "no one is assured of a job," he said.

Johnny Murray and Earl Griffith are the main competitors for the left field spot. Murray is a sophomore from Nashville, and Griffith is a junior from Brownstown, Pa. In the Jacksonville game, Griffith knocked in four runs.

Centerfield has Robichaud, Gibson and Germantown, Ohio junior



Captains

Raider baseball captain Ed Robichaud is flanked by alternate captains Les Price (left) and Tom Owens. The Raiders have their first home game today against Fisk.

college transfer Roger Cox battling for the starting spot.

In right field, Murfreesboro freshman John Keller "has looked good at times," said Solomon. Griffith and Terry King, a junior from Shelbyville, are the other candidates at that position.

Pitching is the main concern of Coach Solomon. "Control is the main problem," Solomon said, "we are giving up too many walks."

Thus far, Solomon has only two sure starters,

Silver Springs, Md. junior Jack Laverty and Clarksville, Ind. sophomore Gary Melson. Laverty was the top pitcher on the Florida trip, winning two games and losing one. His earned run average for the trip was 1.63.

Freshman Bill Ramage (from Signal Mountain), junior Gary Matthews (from Columbia), and freshman Randy Line-decker (from Hixon) are other prospects for starting assignments. Sophomore Bobby Parton from Lebanon will also be

worked into the starting rotation as he recovers from a leg injury.

Billy Joe Mahaffey, Shelbyville junior, and Hobie Davenport, Nashville junior, have looked best in relief roles, Solomon said.

Following Fisk into Murfreesboro, Calvin College will visit the Raiders tomorrow for a double-header beginning at 1 p.m.

On Sunday, the Blue Raiders will host Wisconsin State for a double-header, also beginning at 1 p.m.

Gymnasts to compete in state meet

A team of gymnasts representing Middle Tennessee will compete in the Men's and Boys' State Gymnastics Meet at Tullahoma tomorrow.

Competing for MTSU will be John Lucas, Gary Woodlee, Dan Crews, Jim Johnson and Dennis Baxter.

In the district meet held here March 9, Lucas won first place in all-around competition. He finished first in three of the six events: floor exercise, parallel bars and the side horse. On the still rings and high bar and in the vaulting, he finished second.

Woodlee garnered a second place on the parallel bars, a third in vaulting and fourths in both the still rings and side horse competition.

Also placing well in the district meet was Baxter who tallied a win in vaulting and a third on the high bar.

Johnson placed sixth in floor exercises behind two other MTSU entrants, Jany Proctor (second) and Tony Trumphour (fourth). As a team, Middle Ten-

nessee placed first in the United States Gymnastics Federation Division of the meet. Tullahoma High School won the Amateur Athletic Union Division.

In recent women's competition, at the district USGF Women's Championships, the MTSU women's team placed third in a field of 17 teams.

In the March 10 action at McGavock High School in

Nashville, Becky Tribble, Patty Cunningham and Sherry Tribble placed first, second and third respectively for Middle Tennessee in the all-around competition (balance beam, floor exercise, uneven parallel bars and vaulting).

In individual events, Phyllis Bates placed third in the balance beam and Kathy McHenry won her age division in the uneven parallel bars.

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Raiders host tennis classic

Activity will be plentiful as well as highly competitive for the Blue Raider tennis team this weekend as they host the Blue Raider Tennis Classic.

The classic starts today at 2 p.m. with the Raiders opposing Murray State. Following that match, Western Kentucky and the University of Cincinnati will see battle.

Raider coach Larry Castle rates Murray and Western as two of the top teams in the Ohio Valley Conference, if not the top two.

Tomorrow morning at nine, Cincinnati will be the Blue's competition, while Murray and Western will tangle.

In the afternoon's action, the Raiders will take on Miami (Ohio) University. Following that game, Murray will take on Cincinnati for the final match of the classic.

Finishing up the rugged weekend of competition, the Blue Raiders will host Ohio State on Sunday at 1 p.m.

The Raiders will play as many games this weekend as they have thus far this season. Against the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga on Tuesday, the Blue ran their season mark to 4-0 with a 9-0 victory over the Mocs.

All of the singles matches were won in two-

sets with Wally Norwich, Eustace Kigongo, Geoff Gilchrist, Clyde Smithwick, Yogi Burgener and Jerry Borysko garnering the wins at positions one through six respectively.

Norwich and Gilchrist paired at number one doubles and won 6-1, 6-2. At number two doubles, Kigongo and Smithwick had a rougher time as their score went to 7-5 in the first set, and they lost the second set 7-5. The two came back in the third set, however, to win 6-3.

Burgener and Borysko teamed to complete the whitewash with scores of 6-1, 6-1 at number three doubles.



Geoff Gilchrist, freshman from Melbourne, Australia, is one of several Blue Raider netters undefeated in competition thus far this season.

Gilchrist

Powell joins honor team as only Blue Raider all-star

Blue Raider basketballer Jimmy Powell has been named to this year's All-Ohio Valley Conference team.

Powell was the only Raider recognized by the conference. He finished sixth in the league in scoring with a 17.7 per game average.

The honor team, selected by the OVC coaches, is dominated by upperclassmen, with only one freshman ("Fly Williams of Austin Peay) and one sophomore (Mike Coleman of Murray) selected.

Powell is one of four juniors on the ten-man team. Other juniors selected are Leonard Coulter and Eugene Lyons of Morehead and Howard Jackson of Austin Peay.

Murray's Les Taylor was named Player of the Year and is one of four seniors on the squad, along with Austin Peay's Eddie Childress, Eastern Kentucky's Charlie Mitchell and Tennessee Tech's Wayne Pack.

Lake Kelly, head coach at Austin Peay, was honored as Coach of the Year. Kelly, in his second year as head coach, brought the Governors from a 1971-72 last place finish to the conference championship, the first OVC title for Austin Peay.

Applications due for intramurals

Deadlines for entries in student and faculty intramural activities are near, intramural director Joe Ruffner said.

Entries close at 4 p.m. Tuesday for the following student activities: handball (men's singles and doubles), racketball (men's and women's doubles), tennis (men's, women's and mixed doubles), men's volleyball and men's wrestling tournament.

Entries will close at 4 p.m. next Thursday for the following faculty activities: men's volleyball, racketball (men's and women's doubles), handball (men's singles and doubles) and tennis (men's, women's and mixed doubles).

Those wishing to enter should call or come by the Intramural Office, AM Gym 205, extension 2104, Ruffner said. When placing entries, indicate name, box number, telephone number and partner's name (if doubles activity), he added.

Top 100 club member

Basketball team recruits Brown

Starting the basketball recruiting season off with a bang, the Blue Raiders have signed a 6-4, 190-pound guard out of Gainesville, Ga., Julius Brown.

Brown was a member of the Top 100 Club, the best 100 high school prospects in the nation this year. At East Hall High School in Gainesville, Brown averaged 25.6 points and 10.1 rebounds per game this season.

"He is a tremendous prospect, an extremely physical guard," said Raider assistant coach Stan Simpson, who recruited Brown.

"It was a long struggle

to get him to sign," Simpson added.

Brown signed with MTSU because he was impressed with the facilities, people, and players here, Simpson said.

"At first, Julius was a little wary of me," Simpson related, "but I nicknamed him 'Dr. J.' and he liked that and became more friendly."

Could the nickname be indicative of his talent?... another "Dr. J." seems to be doing quite well at the sport of basketball.

Curiously, the signing of Brown keeps alive the "tradition" of having a player named "Brown" on the team. More recently there was Chester, Booker, Tommy and Willie.

Blue Raider thinclads departed today for Gainesville, Fla. There they will compete in a triangular meet with the University of Florida and Southern Illinois University.

The meet will be the first of the outdoor season for the Raiders.

All three teams boast NCAA Indoor Champions. Barry McClure leads the Raider contingent, as the indoor triple jump king.

Southern Illinois' Terry Erickson won the 440 yard dash indoors.

For Florida, Beauford Brown was the 600 yard run champion.

Track Coach Dean Hayes is taking an 11 member team.

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