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Interview with THEC's chairman

Brown: universities could become vocational schools

By CLAUDIA ROBINSON
Staff Writer

The Tennessee Higher Education Commission has played a controversial role lately. It has been especially visible with its "hit list" of low-producing duplicative programs, its establishment of enrollment ranges for the purpose of estimating appropriations for state schools, and its recommendation to index student fees.

As executive director of THEC, G. Wayne Brown has been at the center of it all. His name and face have been associated in the state media with these controversies. As a result, in the public's eye he is THEC.

THE PUBLIC holds him responsible for THEC's actions, good or ill.

In his office last week, Brown talked about his job.

"It has its frustrations, but it's worth it," Brown said. "Certainly nobody said that taking on the job would be a trail blazed in glory."

"I can live with it (being in

the negative spotlight) because our constituents (the three governing boards) represent component parts of a statewide concern."

THESE COMPONENT parts, he explained, sometimes have divergent interests.

According to Brown, THEC has to take a larger overview of higher education than college presidents, the State Board of Regents, the University of Tennessee Board of Trustees, or the State Board of Education.

"Because of our statewide perspective, we might not make officials of a particular institution happy with a decision," he said. On the whole, he ad-

ded, "the commission has served the basic needs of higher education in Tennessee."

MONEY IS making the commission's job harder, though. The cost of funding state programs such as higher education has risen at a faster rate than state revenues. This, coupled with inflation, has caused much attention to be paid to how state schools spend their money.

One result of the added attention is that the Legislature

'Further enrollment restrictions will be imposed...'

mandated that THEC conduct a study of duplicative and low-producing programs and make recommendations concerning their termination. Thus THEC's infamous "hit list" of low-producing programs.

Since THEC designated 79 programs as low-producing, the governing boards have taken action on most programs to either terminate them or consolidate them with other programs.

BROWN SAID it is too soon to calculate the results of these actions.

"The real effect will not be seen for some time because programs are to be phased out. Currently enrolled students would be allowed to complete their program."

There has been much disagreement about whether eliminating low-producing programs actually causes any monetary savings to the institutions.

MANY ACADEMICIANS say that a student will enroll in the program of his second choice if his first pick is no longer offered at his chosen school. Consequently, the institution would save no money because the same number of students would be enrolled.

Brown shares similar

misgivings.

"We are told that students would drop out if certain programs were terminated," he said. "I believe some will."

"On the other hand," he continued, "we are told some students choose the institution first. A surprisingly low number of students pick a school because of a specific program."

WHY TERMINATE programs if there is no anticipated loss of students?

Brown said the Legislature did not state a reason in its mandate for the study. The feeling, he said, was that it meant to eliminate competition between institutions with the same programs and to save money.

Many schools defended their low-producing programs, saying that they entailed no expenditures. If the programs were eliminated, they said, no courses or faculty could be dropped because they both were used by other students.

BROWN DISAGREED with their reasoning, saying there is no such thing as a program that doesn't cost anything, not even a graduate program.

He added: "If an institution says that every course offered for a degree at a higher level—such as a master's degree—is offered without change in content, faculty preparation, etc., at a lower degree level, then something is badly wrong, and students should question the circumstances."

Undergraduates should be upset that they are having to do work on a higher level, or graduate students should be upset because they are being shortchanged, he said.

BROWN SYMPATHIZED with administrators and faculty, saying that there are frustrations

Seven prove ability

ROTC men earn scholarships

By KIM BROOKS
Staff Writer

The MTSU branch of the ROTC presented scholarships to seven young men Tuesday, with five receiving two-year scholarships and two receiving three-year scholarships.

Robert A. Angle and William E. Wood were awarded the three-year scholarships. The two-year scholarship winners were James B. Burton, James C. Hill, Joe W. Maloney, Steve Shelton, and Floyd C. Turner, Jr.

The recipients are currently enrolled in college or have attended the basic camp in Fort Knox, Ky. No specific major is required, but their minors are in military science.

ACCORDING TO Capt. Bruce Pepper of the ROTC, the scholarships cover full tuition for two semesters a year, books, and \$100.00 a month for 10 months. The scholarships do not pay for summer session.

MTSU student James C. Hill, a native of Motlow, earned his scholarship at the basic camp in Fort Knox.

"During the six-weeks course they (camp attenders) would get



THEC Chairman Dr. Wayne Brown explains a point during his exclusive interview with Sidelines.

right away when they lose programs.

"What we hope is that, by eliminating low-producing programs, we have encouraged the institutions to spend more money on remaining programs," he said.

Many of the low-producing programs on THEC's list are in the liberal arts. Brown explained that the appearance of so many liberal arts programs on the list indicates that fewer students are enrolling in the humanities; it does not indicate that THEC is

"anti-liberal arts."

"IT WOULD be wonderful if all institutions could offer all degree programs," he said. "Unfortunately, there is not enough money—or resources—to do so."

"I hope, however, the liberal arts will not be playing a smaller part in higher education's future. A more present danger is posed by the growing tendency of students to choose vocationally oriented fields of study."

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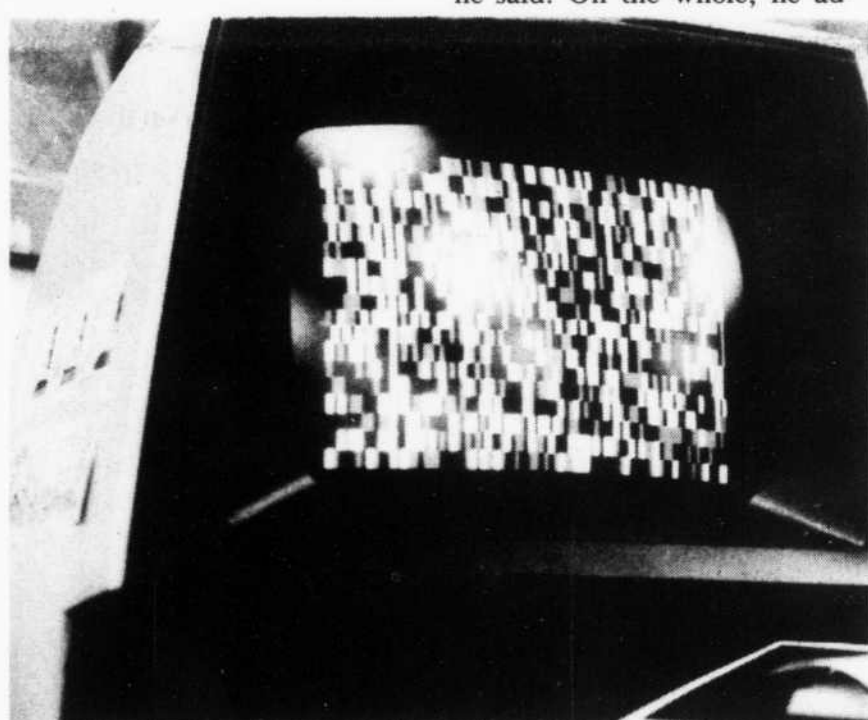


Photo by Keith Tippitt

Terminally ill computer

This bizarre design is but one of many problems with which Sidelines staffers had to contend yesterday, as computer snafus plagued us all day and night. For this reason, today's issue is, of necessity, much shorter than planned; look for an expanded edition of Sidelines on Friday, provided our "state-of-the-art" equipment co-operates.

Greeks have mixed feelings

Many new rules affect rush

By LADONNA McDANIEL
Staff Writer

New rush regulations instituted by the Interfraternity Council for this semester, including curfews and the "split-party" rule, have had both negative and positive reactions from members of MTSU's Greek organizations.

The changes included establishing a midnight party curfew for Sunday through Thursday nights and a 2 a.m. curfew on Friday and Saturday night parties. The curfews were instituted as an effort to prevent the fraternities from disturbing their neighbors in the community, according to the IFC President Scott Ratterman.

Also, certain nights have been designated to each of the fraternities to hold their rush functions. This is known as the "split-party" rule. Fraternities are not to have any kind of rush activity on a night that has not been allocated to them by the IFC.

THE IFC HAS defined a

rush function as "any instance where three (3) or more actives are in the presence of at least one rushee."

Some of the regulations have been agreed upon informally in the past by the fraternities, according to the Ratterman. The IFC has decided to formalize them by putting them into writing.

Reactions to the changes from fraternity members have been varied. Most of them favor the midnight party curfew. They say it is less expensive for the fraternities and that it keeps the parties from dragging out too long.

OPINIONS DIFFER on the split-party rule. Sigma Nu member Andy Murphy likes the new rule. He says it gives the smaller fraternities a better opportunity to see rushees because they are not being attracted to the parties of larger fraternities.

The new rule makes rush less

cording the Art Darden, a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon. "It gives the rushee something to do every night without the fraternity having the burden of planning something for each night," says Darden.

OTHERS DISLIKE the split-party rule. Sigma Chi member Eddie Woodside says it takes the competitive aspect out of rush. He says the rule should only be applied on the nights the fraternities are having smokers.

Another fraternity member who was not in favor of the new rule is Bill Mifflin of the Kalpa Alpha Order. He says the fraternities should be allowed to invite rushees to their houses whenever they would like.

Most of the fraternity members interviewed felt the IFC was being too picky in its definition of what constitutes a rush function. They said the IFC was trying to be too specific in determining when a fraternity member could be with a rushee.



These seven ROTC students, Joe Maloney, Floyd Turner, Eric Wood, Robert Angle, James Hill, Steve Shelton and James Burton, received two- and three-year scholarship awards last Tuesday at Forrest Hall.

paid around \$650 and get six semester hours of credit," Capt. Pepper noted. "Depending on how well they do, they would have a good chance of getting a two-year scholarship."

There will be a camp this summer.

There are also four-year

scholarships and one-year scholarships available. This year no one received a one-year scholarship at MTSU. According to Captain Pepper the recipients of the four-year scholarships (college-bound high school seniors) will be chosen around the first of summer.

New teacher doesn't eat, sleep, or get paid but excels in job

By RONALD ROBERTS
Staff Writer
MTSU's industrial studies department will have a new professor beginning this semester that works for free.
It's hard to believe a professor would work for free in these days of inflation, but, considering the professor is a computer, and a gift, it's understandable.
It purchased new, the computer would cost the university \$18,000.
THE SIX-FOOT tall, free-standing computer numerical

control is, according to David W. Norgard, Warner and Swasey's manager for Human Resources, "essentially a mini-computer, the brains behind a machine tool which eliminates the need for a highly-skilled operator."
The computer will aid in teaching up-to-date electronics in the industrial technology program.
"The reason for such an expensive gift is seven or eight employees have come to the

Warner and Swasey Cofrom MTSU," said Norgard.
"WE'VE FOUND it (MTSU) to be a good source of people, and we wanted to solidify that relationship," said Norgard.
Company restrictions on the gift, which was accepted by Dr. Richard Gould, industrial studies chairman, is that it be used on a simulator and not on a competing piece of equipment.
Even in these days of high prices, good help can come cheap.

Brown

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"I think a major challenge is for universities to incorporate more liberal arts into professional and vocational programs," Brown said. "Faculty and administrators should insist that they not retreat from their obligation to provide a liberal arts base from which springs the foundation for the vocational and professional education."
IF THIS IS not done, he said, "universities could become technical or vocational schools." Another action taken by THEC in its efforts to deal with inadequate state appropriations is changing its funding formula to remove incentives for schools to increase enrollments.
At their September meeting, the commission adopted enrollment ranges for funding that in essence tell school administrators to restrict their enrollments in order to maintain their present per-student appropriation. A school will not receive additional funds if it exceeds its range.
"FURTHER ENROLLMENT restrictions will be imposed as we grapple with the problem of funding," Brown said. "Tenneseans have gotten a loss for their dollar in recent years."
However, critics of the restrictions say limiting access to higher education will create elite institutions.
Brown disagreed. "Tennessee's admissions standards are not nearly as stringent as compared with other states. We have a long way to go to become elitist."
Elitist universities could become a reality if present trends in student financial aid continue, he said.
"I DO FEEL there is some danger of higher education becoming inaccessible to middle-income families in Tennessee. It is very important that student assistance be maintained for middle-income

families. Strong pressure should be put on Washington from all over the country to continue grants and guaranteed student loans."
Federal student assistance tops Brown's list of priorities as the new president of the State Higher Education Executive Officers. As president of SHEEO, which represents the viewpoint of the states on higher education, Brown will be working with Congress to maintain and improve the national status of higher education.
The status of higher education in Tennessee is being threatened by the attraction of faculty to states offering higher salaries.
AND THAT, Brown said, is a very real problem.
"I do not see an immediate solution to the problem, as the state simply does not have the monies to increase salaries to make them competitive."
"In fact," he said, "it would require \$38 million in additional state funds to bring Tennessee up to the Southern Regional Education Board averages. I just don't know where the state would be hiding this money if it had it."
"This is a critical year for assessing the success of the merger of TSU and UTN," Brown added. "It will be a couple of weeks before an analysis of fall enrollment can be done."
HE DECLINED further comment about the status of the merger, however—because THEC will be called to testify at the new hearings—but did admit that progress toward a greater white presence on the TSU campus "has not been as satisfying as expected."
When asked about the possibility of TSU being merged with MTSU or Austin Peay State University, Brown would only say, "A court that was willing to merge two institutions to

establish a certain racial balance might be sympathetic to a motion to merge one or more other institutions if the expected white presence does not develop."
As to what constitutes a "white presence," Brown was unclear.
"This is probably the first time this has been said, but the Board of Regents does not yet have a specific goal or set of goals for the racial composition of TSU in the future."
HE ADDED that there are no court-approved goals because the lawyers on all sides disagree on the matter.
The hope, he said, is to increase the white presence and to bring back the students, both white and black, who left after the merger.
Brown, who has a doctorate in radio astronomy and is a colleague of astronomer Carl Sagan, became animated when the conversation turned to the existence of extraterrestrial life.
HIS EYES lighted up as he moved to the edge of his chair.
"One of the fundamental questions that for the first time we humans have the opportunity to explore is: Are we alone? By listening to the appropriate frequency at the right time, radio telescopes could give us the answer," he said.
"However, we don't spend enough time listening because Congress refused to authorize the money."
"The whole idea," he added, "received William Proxmire's famous Golden Fleece Award (for wasting federal money)."
Whether we know it or not, he said, "it is likely we will be or have been discovered by other intelligent life. A more advanced civilization has probably already done a map of the sky and knows where we are."



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Big Blue band best ensemble yet

By DAVID JARRARD
News Editor

The MTSU Blue Raider Marching Band is in for one of its best seasons yet, according to band director Joe Smith.

"It's really going to be an exciting year for the band," said Smith. "We've got the largest band on the field this year that I can remember, and I've been here 25 years. And the sound is good, real good."

The Blue Raider band will preform Saturday night during MTSU's first home football game against UT Martin.

"WE WILL open the show this year with 'Malaguana' then move to a pop tune, 'Endless Love.' It wasn't a pop tune when we picked it, but it is now," said Smith.

"Then we'll be playing a rock 'n' roll number, 'Into Stone,' and our finale will be 'Softly as I Leave You.' It ought to be really good," he said.



Photo by Keith Tippit

Blue Raider Marching Band Director Joe Smith

The drum section of the band has grown with the rest of the organization.

"We've got 21 people in the percussion section this year—they're going to be good," he said.

The Blue Raider Band again will be hosting the Contest of Champions this fall. This will be

the 20th year the contest has been held

Marking the special anniversary of the band, Alfred Reed, a well known band composer, was commissioned a year ago, to write a composition especially for the Blue Raider Band.

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Two physical fitness classes for MTSU faculty and staff members have been scheduled on Mondays and Wednesdays at noon and 5 p.m. The classes will consist of calisthenics, walking and/or jogging. The first class was yesterday, but space is still available.

Classes will meet at the Murphy Center Indoor Track.

THE MTSU PUBLIC RELATIONS STUDENT SOCIETY OF AMERICA will hold its first meeting of the year Thursday, Sept. 17, at 5 p.m. in Room 312 of Peck Hall. All advertising/public relations majors are encouraged to attend.

THE INTERNATIONAL FOLK AND SQUARE DANCE CLUB is forming on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in Dance Studio A. Everyone is invited.

THE DEBATE TEAM will hold an organizational meeting tonight at 7 p.m. in Room 220 of the Dramatic Arts Building.

Any students interested in participating are encouraged to attend; no experience is necessary.

WRESTLING OFFICIALS ARE NEEDED for the TSSAA Wrestling Association. Anyone with a knowledge of wrestling is welcome.

Interested persons should contact coach Mike Levi of Oakland High School. His number is 896-9571.

ALPHA KAPPA PSI, a professional business fraternity, will have membership smokers on Tuesday, Sept. 15, and Wednesday, Sept. 16. These will be in University Center, Room 324, at 7 p.m. All business-related majors and minors are welcome.

THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION will have its first meeting Tuesday, Sept. 15, at 4:30 p.m. in Room 205 of Kirksey Old Main. Persons interested in personnel management or related fields are welcome.

PI SIGMA EPSILON will hold membership meetings Sept. 16 and 17 in Dining Room B of the JUB.

For more information, call 3143 or 3196. All business majors and minors are welcome.

ALL STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS which have not received their Organizational Information Report forms must pick them up in the Office of Student Information and Minority Affairs, UC Room 122, as soon as possible.

All organizations which have not filed these reports by Oct. 1 will be denied use of university facilities.

CAREER ORIENTATION FOR SENIORS begins Tuesday, Sept. 15, at 3 p.m. Students will be given a chance to get a head start on job hunting before graduation.

Meetings are also scheduled for Sept. 17 at 11 a.m., Sept. 21 at 3 p.m., and Sept. 23 at 1 p.m. in Room 324 at the University Center.

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"Everywhere you looked, shots were being fired," one unnamed eyewitness told the local newspaper, the *Thousand Oaks News-Chronicle*.

Sheriff's Lt. Cole McDaniel said Monday that apparently bird shot or "snake shot," a pellet-like ammunition, was substituted in one of the guns.



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Perkins and the C.P. Express appear at 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.

In addition to Elvis' hit "Blue Suede Shoes," Perkins' tunes have been recorded by the Beatles, Johnny Cash, and Patsy Cline, among others.

AS A PERFORMER, Perkins had several hits of his own in the middle and late '50s. He is known as one of the founding fathers of the rockabilly style.

The performance at Vanderbilt comes on the heels of Perkins' latest album, *Live at Austin City Limits*.

Tickets for the public are \$4 and are available at the door.

The mood becomes much mellower Saturday when the Dave Brubeck Quartet performs at Langford Auditorium on the Vanderbilt campus.

Brubeck, composer of "Take Five," a jazz standard, and his band appear at 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.

Tickets for this show will also be available at the door.



Carl "Mr. Blue Suede Shoes" Perkins in his halcyon days

Youthgrants for research

Humanities funds available

The Youthgrants Program of the National Endowment for the Humanities is alive and well and will once again offer a limited number of awards to young people in their teens and 20s to pursue non-credit, out-of-the-classroom research projects in the humanities.

The deadline for receipt of completed application forms is Nov. 16, and funded projects begin next May.

SOME EXAMPLES of college-level projects funded in this highly competitive program are: an annotated exhibition of 20th century war-time "home-front" activities in Minnesota and Wisconsin, a complete historical survey, presentati, and guidebook on a tradition-

stepped small Florida coastal island, a collection and study of migrant worker border ballads in South Texas; and a film on a small Oregon town's innovative survival method — backyard gold mining during the Great Depression.

Up to 75 grants will be awarded, offering as much as \$2500 for individuals, and a few group grants up to \$10,000 (\$15,000 for exceptional media projects).

Youthgrants are intended primarily for those between 18 and 25 years of age who have not yet completed academic or professional training, but can demonstrate the ability to design and perform outstanding

humanities research and translate that into an end product to share with others.

The humanities include such subjects as history, comparative religion, ethnic studies, folklore, anthropology, linguistics, the history of art, and philosophy.

The program does not offer scholarships, tuition aid, or support for degree-related work, internships or foreign travel projects.

Mrs. Martha Turner of MTSU's placement office said the official guidelines for the Youthgrants are available at the placement office. The office is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

On fashion, love, and 'wusses'

Preppie proffers timely advice

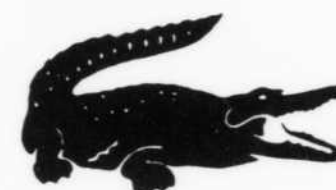
By PREPPIE O'PARSONS

Advice Columnist

Dear Preppie: I was so excited to find your column in our student newspaper! I have just settled into a dorm room with a fellow prep and we were so glad to discover our mutual interests. I was kinda worried when I first came to MTSU that I would not find our kind of people, but I can see now that I was needlessly worried. We even have our own advice column!!!

Please keep us informed about special places around Murfreesboro where we can meet our kind of people and show our new outfits off to our best advantage. Daddy has invested so much money in my new looks, I feel it's my responsibility to be seen in the best places. I wouldn't want to endanger my image with any indiscretion in the places I am seen.

Oh Preppie, I AM SO EXCITED about this new year, with all the right kinds of people here at MTSU! Keep answering



our letters—we are all so concerned.

CREAM PUFF

Thanks for the darling letter. (P.S. So many of us get our looks from our Daddy—especially if he's a plastic surgeon.)

Dear Preppie: Last weekend at Cagney's, I saw more than one person with a penny placed in the slot of their loafers. Is this a new fashion trend, or just a fad among certain frequenters of the place to go in Murfreesboro?

PENNY PINCHER

They must be '81 pennies with the Lincoln profile on your left. This is a MUST for all loafers sans tassels.

Dear Preppie: I have a problem and maybe you could help. My roommate won't let me paint our room pink and green.

The girl is a real "wuss," even though Mummy's already paid for the paint. Do you think you could convince my roomie to go along with this color scheme?

PREPPETTE-AT-LARGE

Most girls would be green with envy to have you for a roommate. If your roomie didn't jump at the chance for the green and pink, there's an obvious clash. It might be best to get another roommate.

U.T.H. (Under the Hat) to Sim's Hall 3rd Floor: What Down-in-the-Dumps doesn't need is more dumping on. A lot about going to college is not what you know but who you know and how you impress them.

(If you seek Preppie's savoir faire on any facet of fashion, the collegiate lifestyle, or life in general, address your correspondence to: Preppie O'Parsons, c Sidelines, Box 42. Your name and address must be included, but will be withheld upon request.)

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Blue Raiders give Mocs 42-19 victory

By DON HARRIS
Sports Editor

CHATTANOOGA — Middle Tennessee presented UT-Chattanooga with a gift here Saturday night—a victory.

"We threw away a game that we could have won," head coach Boots Donnelly said following the hard-fought contest. "We played 'em as hard as we can play, but we didn't make the play."

The Mocs took the gift of five turnovers and ran away with a 42-19 triumph over the hard-luck Raiders. The game, however, was not as lopsided as the score indicates and credit that to the MTSU defense.

"Our defense was super until the last five minutes of the game," the exhausted head coach said. It was those last few minutes of the game, which UTC scored 21 unanswered points, that the offensive unit sputtered.

"WE WANTED to wanted to win so bad but we kept making mistakes," Donnelly said. "Chattanooga made the play and we didn't."

On the first play from scrimmage, senior standout quarterback Steve Woods hit Willie Gillespie for a 46-yard gain to MTSU's 17-yard line. The Mocs appeared to be on their way to another rout of the Blue Raiders, but Middle

Tennessee's defense stiffened and forced UTC to try for a 43-yard field goal.

Chattanooga was penalized for a procedure call, forcing place kicker Jack Teichman to try a 48-yard attempt.

WILLIAM THOMAS (ironically from Chattanooga) burst through the UTC front line and blocked Teichman's attempt. Thomas then picked up the loose pigskin and returned it 54 yards for a Blue Raider score. Freshman Kelly Potter added the PAT to give Middle Tennessee an early 7-0 lead.

The UTC fans were in awe. Their blue-and-gold-clad Mocs were suppose to have as easy go at this game.

Middle Tennessee held that lead until the talented Woods snuck over from the 1-yard line to put UTC on the score board. Teichman booted the PAT and knotted the score at 7-7 with 2:24 left to play in the first half.

THE BLUE Raiders seemed to be content to go into halftime tied at 7-7. But on the second play of Middle's possession, tailback Sammy Bryant fumbled the ball and UTC recovered at MTSU's 21-yard line.

It only took Woods and company three plays and 49 seconds to put the Mocs out in front 14-7 at the half, the score coming on an 8-yard pass from Woods to Tony Jackson.

"We gave them every point they got in the first half," a dejected Boots Donnelly said. UTC's first score had been set up by a Willis Yates interception of Brown Sanford's pass.

MTSU'S PASSING game on the night left a lot to be desired. Sanford completed only nine of 34 passes for 137 yards. Thirty-three of those yards came on the final play of the game. Sanford didn't complete a pass until 4:50 into the second quarter, when he hit Danny Brown during the most impressive drive of the night.

Middle Tennessee had started the drive at their own 16-yard line and had driven to UTC's 26 before fullback Dennis Brannigan fumbled and UTC recovered.

The Blue Raider offense could only muster 102 total yards in the first half to UTC's 227. The only thing keeping Middle in the contest was the tenacious play of the defense.

WITH 3 minutes left on the clock in the second quarter, an announcement came over the PA that UTC quarterback Steve Woods was 8-12 in the passing department for 200 yards. What he failed to mention was that the Mocs still had a goose egg on the scoreboard.

At the beginning of the second half, MTSU's offense picked up right where they left off. Sanford threw one incomplete pass, then fumbled on the second play. UTC recovered the loose



Photo by Greg Campbell

Defensive end William Thomas chases down UTC quarterback Steve Woods during Saturday night's contest with the Mocs. Earlier in the game Thomas blocked a field goal attempt and returned the ball 54 yards for the first score of the ballgame. On the night, Woods was sacked by the Blue Raider defense for -39 yards, not enough though to stop the outstanding senior as he passed for 260 yards and two touchdowns.

ball and went to work at MTSU's 19-yard line.

This time it took the Mocs three plays and 52 seconds to score and take a 21-7 lead.

UTC NOW appeared to be on their way to a runaway game for sure, right? The Moc fans and bench thought so, but the Raiders from Murfreesboro had different ideas.

After the two teams exchanged punts, an interception and a fumble, Middle Tennessee went to work from their own 31-yard line.

Brown Sanford hit wide receiver Danny Brown for a 52-yard pass play to the UTC 15. Add to that a personal foul penalty against UTC, and the Blue Raiders were in business at UTC's 8-yard line.

SANFORD WAS then sacked

for a 12-yard loss, ran for short yardage, and threw an incomplete pass halting the drive at UTC's 19. Kelly Potter came on and made good on a 35-yard field goal cutting the Mocs' lead to 11 at 21-10.

Three plays later, James Griffin picked off a Woods ariel and returned it to the UTC 45.

Aided again by a personal foul penalty against UTC, and behind the running of Sanford, MTSU pulled to within five points on a Sammy Bryant 1-yard dive with 2:24 left in the third stanza. The Blue Raiders tried for a two-point conversion, but the pass to Jerry Lockhart fell short, and the score stood at 21-16.

SUDDENLY THE Moc bench wasn't resting as easy as it had been.

On the ensuing possession, Woods hit Gillespie for 11 yards to the UTC 29. Woods tried again to Gillespie, but this time it fell short. On the next play, Woods was sacked on attempt to pass and was then called for intentional grounding, forcing punter John Howell to punt from the back of his own end zone.

After a 46-yard punt and a 6-yard return, MTSU took over inside Moc territory at the 41 with 14:22 left to play.

SANFORD COMPLETED a 6-yard pass to Marshan Jolly to the 36, and then Clay Johnson carried the ball to the Moc 29-yard line for a first down. Sanford tossed another ariel to Jolly to the UTC 14. The junior quarterback then carried the

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Raiders

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ball for 13 yards and a first down to the UTC 1-yard line.
With just over eight minutes to play, Middle Tennessee was stuck with a delay-of-game

penalty, putting the ball at the six.
"We were already discussing our 2-point conversion options," Donnelly said.
"THAT (CALL) was awful



Photo by Greg Campbell

'I question the hell out of that'

Boots Donnelly argues to no avail with the referee after the Blue Raiders had been called for a delay-of-game penalty with the ball on UTC's 1-yard line. The questionable call disrupted MTSU's offense just enough that the Blue Raiders had to settle for a field goal instead of getting the go-ahead touchdown midway through the fourth quarter.

quick," he said "I question that. I question the hell out of that. I was shocked—I thought at first they got us for movement. We were talking in terms of the 2-point play. We weren't talking in terms of running another play."

Eventhough it was only a 5-yard step-off, it was enough to disrupt the offensive flow. Sanford threw an incomplete pass, carried for no gain, and after a time out, threw a poorly executed screen pass for another incompletion.

THE BLUE Raiders had to settle for three points on Potter's 23-yard field goal to close the deficit to 21-19.

On the next Moc possession, the Blue Raider defense sparkled again and had UTC on its own 21-yard line with a third down and 20 yards to go for a first down.

The ensuing play saw Chattanooga execute a perfect screen play for a 32-yard gain to MTSU's 47. On the next play, Welton Ellison sprinted around end for 46 yards to the Raider 1-yard line. From there Woods took it over the goal line, Teichman kicked the PAT and, suddenly UTC had stretched its lead to 28-19.

MTSU TOOK the kickoff and proceeded to make two first downs before turning the ball over on down at midfield.

Four plays later, the Mocs added another seven points to the score board putting the game out of reach at 35-19.

Sanford, desperately trying to bring the Raiders back, was intercepted on the next series of downs. Middle was guilty of a personal foul on the return, giving the Mocs possession at the MTSU 12-yard line.

IT TOOK UTC six plays before second-string quarterback Gary Bloodsaw closed

out the scoring at 42-19.

"We had the shots," Donnelly said. "But we dropped 'em, overthrew them, we couldn't even throw a screen pass."

"They had us out manned, out numbered, and out sized. We fought as hard as we could fight."

This was the final game between the two schools, which ends a colorful series dating back to 1916.

MTSU's next game will be their home opener on Sept. 19 against UT-Martin.

'Scrummie' sport for scrappers

By MARTI HENDERSON

Sports Writer

What has 30 legs, scrums, mauls or rucks, and has a hooker, two props, a hindbrace, a fly half, two wings and two looses?

What if two 40-minute halves with no time outs, a five minute halftime, and a referee addressed as "Sir" are added and mixed with a crowd of cheering "rugger-hugger?"

It's RUGBY—a fast, tough, and hard-action sport that is becoming quite popular on campuses across the nation.

RUGBY IS a sport which originated in England, and is the game from which today's modern football is based. Each team has 15 players who wear no protective gear other than mouth pieces, cleats, and an occasional ace bandage.

Rugby is also considered a gentleman's sport with a lot of emphasis placed on mutual respect for the opponents, as well as fellow teammates.

THE RUGBY playing field is slightly longer and wider than a football field, and there are goal posts at each end. A try (or touchdown) is worth four points, and is scored when the

ball is run into the in-goal area. The after-try kick is worth two points. There is also a kick worth three points that is played when a try fails, and is similar to the field goal.

The ball is put into play by the referee in a scrum formed by eight members of each team. In a scrum, all the men must huddle in a clasped circle around the ball and try to get the ball kicked out to one of the team.

The hooker is the man who normally hooks the ball out of the scrum, and the props are there as his support. Two "second rows" provide push in the scrum, and the two "looses" play positions similar to that of football linebackers.

BASICALLY, HALF the team tries to get possession of the ball and the other half tries to run it downfield to score. But, unlike football, both offense and defense stay on the field at all times.

The man to get control of the ball if his team gains possession during the scrum, is the hind-brace.

The ball is run downfield in a forward pitching sweep across a

horizontal line of men. These men are the scrum half and fly half, the inside and outside, the two wings, and the fullback.

If a player goes out of bounds, a touch judge notifies the referee, who may or may not call a penalty. If a penalty is called, play does not stop.

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