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Sharon Drake takes advantage of a day without school to go sledding down a slope at Campus School. Her partners in the background wait for their turn. They are, kneeling, Matt Rueben and David Ortega. Both attend Reeves Rogers school.

Predicted drop won't hurt MTSU, state

By ANGIE GALLOWAY and JANE MIER
Sidelines Staff Writers

America's colleges and universities are faced with their first serious enrollment decline which will occur over the next 20 years, the Carnegie Council on Policy Studies in Higher Education reported last week, but MTSU isn't in real danger.

Tennessee students and faculty have nothing to worry about, according to Roy L. Lassiter, executive vice chancellor of the State Board of Regents.

"We have just completed a five-year comprehensive plan for institutions in our system and our projections have indicated there will be basically no enrollment drop prior to 1985," he said in a recent interview. "Remember that Tennessee has always been off balance with the national average, however."

The council predicted undergraduate enrollment drops of 5 to 15 percent in the coming decades. Enrollment actually is

likely to grow by 10 percent in the Southwest and West and by 5 percent in the South, while falling 10 percent in the East and Midwest.

"The figures we have available show that a modest increase in enrollment will occur until 1984, then remain stable until 1992, when enrollment will spurt up," Lassiter said.

He gave several reasons for the expected enrollment climb — more blacks and women will be attending college; more working adults will enroll in various classes, particularly in community colleges; and 12th grade high school enrollment will grow larger through 1983 than it was in 1978.

The end of the baby boom is "quite likely" to cause the nation's 3,000 colleges and universities to suffer "a

Student injured during practice

A fall off of a horse will not keep Jennifer Lee from the regional equestrian skills meet in early March.

Describing herself as a "dedicated athlete," Lee will not halt riding practice because of the accident, which sent her to Rutherford Hospital for X-rays late Wednesday evening.

Lee said she did not remember much about the incident, which left her feeling "squashed" but nevertheless in a good mood Thursday.

"I won't name the horse involved in order to protect the innocent," she said.

According to observers, the horse apparently reared up and over, causing Lee to tumble to the ground behind it. She was transported to the Rutherford Hospital emergency room by the Rutherford County Ambulance Service.

She was released with only a few bruises.

Hillman denied tenure by dean

By CYNDI CLINE
Sidelines Staff Writer

Ralph Hillman, Speech and Hearing assistant professor, was denied recommendations yesterday for tenure and promotion by Robert Corlew, dean of liberal arts.

Memorandums sent to Hillman dated Jan. 31, state that Corlew was not recommending Hillman for tenure or a promotion to associate professor.

In one memorandum Corlew states, "After a very thorough review of your file and careful consultation with the Liberal

Arts Advisory Committee, I am recommending that you not be promoted to the rank of Associate Professor at this time."

In another memorandum Corlew said he was not recommending tenure after carefully reviewing the staffing problems in the liberal arts school and the recommendations of the advisory committees and department chairman.

Frank Essex, professor of political science and Liberal Arts Advisory Committee member, said yesterday the committee recommended that

Hillman receive tenure and promotion. Essex said he did not know why Hillman did not receive tenure.

"I haven't heard anybody express negative interpretations of Ralph's qualifications. The only indication of any problems of recommending tenure for Ralph was with the staffing problems," he said. "Everyone expresses regret that the number of students enrolling in classes has declined."

Another member of the advisory committee, Harold Parker of the philosophy

department, said two other professors besides Hillman were discussed for tenure and Corlew followed the committee's recommendation. "We are only an advisory committee; we do not make decisions," Parker said.

Corlew, in a telephone interview, refused to comment about his decision. "I think it would be improper to comment at this time considering the number of people involved. Everyone that was or was not recommended for tenure was sent word today."

Students may be housed in motels again

MTSU students may again be housed in Murfreesboro motels next year until adequate facilities are available on campus, Housing Director David Bragg said Wednesday.

After a meeting between Bragg and President Sam Ingram, the housing office sent letters to 12 motels, each having more than 40 units, asking them to submit proposals by Feb. 8. If none of the proposals are acceptable, Bragg said nothing more would be done to find places to house students on the overflow list.

"The major consideration the motels will have to make concerns the Shelbyville horse show that comes at that time. Last year the students staying in the motels cut into the last weekend of the show, but this year it will

cover just about the entire time.

"Decisions will have to be based on what is best for them. Once the horse show is over there will be a sharp decline in business," he explained.

Dorms will be open to students on August 18 and the motels will have to have space available at that time, he said.

"Last year it took three weeks to move everyone out entirely and we had started moving people out by the end of the first week. There were 260 students who stayed in the motels then," Bragg recalled, estimating it would take about the same amount of time if motels were used again.

Students who stay in motels pay the same amount as a regular dorm room. Last year they paid \$290, the same price for a campus room. Money is

collected at registration and the university pays the motels directly.

Like last year, letters will be sent out to the students on the list asking them if they would consider staying in motels until a place on campus is found.

"The national average of no-

shows and cancellation is 8 to 10 percent of the housing population," Bragg said.

Three years ago, there was a five percent no-show and last year there were 250-300 students who did not return. This averages to a 10 percent cancellation rate.

Theft prevention starts

By JIM DE MARCO
Sidelines Staff Writer

In an effort to prevent thefts on campus, Ivan Shewmake, dean of students, men, and the University Police are preparing a new crime prevention program that should be complete in one month.

"Sensitization is the key. If you don't give crime an opportunity to occur, you don't have much crime," Shewmake said.

The program will include posters in dorm lobbies and hallways reminding residents that it only takes a minute for a theft to occur.

"One of our big problems is things being stolen out of the dorm," he said. "One of the primary causes of that is because people aren't protecting themselves. We would rather prevent than arrest."

Ricky Keyt, crime prevention officer, added, "People will leave the room for a couple of minutes and it doesn't take someone else that much time to come in and take what they need." He suggested residents keep a record of serial numbers and a description of valuable items.

People should report a theft within an hour or two, according to Larry Nixon, university police captain. "We

have a better chance of recovering the articles. Some people will wait a week or two to report a burglary and there's not much we can do," he explained.

Bicycle thefts are heaviest during the warmer months but Shewmake said that thieves usually bypass the ones with better quality locks and woven cables, claiming it is "amazing that people will buy a \$200 bike and spend \$3 or \$4 on an inferior lock and chain and lose the whole thing."

Bicycle owners might be able to register bikes with police beginning next semester. "We will have to get the cooperation of the students. They will have to bring the bike to the department so we can record the serial number and assign it an identification number," Nixon said.

Other steps in the crime prevention program include permanent signs that will be posted at the bookstore and cafeteria book racks warning students of the large number of book thefts at those locations, according to Shewmake.

University Police and Shewmake's office are considering developing a slide presentation that will be shown to dorm residents to make them more aware of theft prevention.



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Jennifer Lee, an equestrian team member, fell from a horse Wednesday, but was not seriously injured. She was taken to Rutherford Hospital for X-rays.

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Randy James, speaker of the ASB house, presides over debate during yesterday's house meeting. Representatives decided to back activity fee

requests for Black History week, the shuttle bus service to Nashville, voter-registration drive and a campus social activity.

photo by Eddie Braswell

House backs money requests

By LISA HUMAN
Sidelines Editor in Chief

The ASB house voted yesterday to back activity fee requests for Black History Week, a shuttle bus service to Nashville, voter-registration drive and a campus social activity.

These requests will be given to the activity fee council as an ASB-backed priority. The council will make the final fee requisition decisions.

A \$750 request for Black History Week will be used to defer the cost of bringing Poet David Mathis here the week of Feb. 12, house representative

Byron West said. He was speaking for bill sponsor Keenan Pendergrass.

House Speaker Randy James sponsored the resolution to allocate \$800 to the MTSU Energy Council for a shuttle bus service to Nashville.

"The more I've thought about this bill, the more convinced I am that it would be a good way to spend the money," James said. "If 30 or 40 people ride the bus, that's 30 or 40 less cars on campus."

The resolution to allocate \$300 for the MTSU voter registration drive caused some

controversy and passed by a hand count of 26-10.

Questions arose concerning how the money would be used. Sponsor Debi Hollingsworth said it would be used for publicity and transportation to and from the polls.

"I think this \$300 could be one of the best investments we could make for this university," ASB President Kent Syler said, emphasizing "we want students to take part in city government while they live here."

In an effort to "pump the activity fee back to the students," bill sponsor Bob Gary said, a resolution was passed in support of a campus wide social activity such as a dance.

All four bills have been approved by the senate and Syler.

In other action, Syler told the house he had decided to veto a bill passed to expand the powers of the housing committee.

"We feel the housing committee should address issues concerning housing," Syler said. "There are so many problems residents face everyday that a committee needs to look at this specifically."

Senate okays \$2,850

By JANE MIER
Sidelines Managing Editor

The Associated Student Body Senate approved \$2850 activity fee money to various projects and passed a resolution requesting reconsideration in the Ralph Hillman tenure case Tuesday.

One thousand dollars for a "campus wide social activity" was approved. The ASB plans to sponsor a dance this semester which bill sponsor Don Wilson believes "will go over pretty well."

The senate also approved \$800 for the MTSU Energy Council for the development of a shuttle bus service between Nashville and campus.

"This money is merely to set the program up," explained senate sponsor Buddy Creasman. "If the bus service works, and I say it would, then it would be self-supporting and require no more funds."

A vote of acclamation was received on a resolution requesting \$750 for Black History Week, the second week in February, and \$300 for the voter registration drive currently occurring on campus.

"I feel that all of these requests are important," Kent Syler, ASB president, addressed

the senate. "They cover several different bases and the ASB can be proud to represent these."

Senator Martha Hammond reported the committee's findings on the Hillman tenure case, adding that its research is continuing.

"Dr. Hillman is the only teacher for oral reader, voice and diction and a 330I class on education methods," she stated. "At a salary a little over \$12,000 it would be almost impossible to find someone who could teach those three classes."

"If Dr. Hillman is not replaced the classes would be dropped or other teachers would have to overload."

The speech and hearing therapy section of the speech and theatre department has 10 majors this year, the required number, Hammond said. Guidelines for tenure also contain a provision in Section L that states a tenured faculty can be dropped for financial reasons.

"If the projected enrollment figures for the department fail and the department goes into a financial crisis or slump, Dr. Hillman could always be released," she explained. "But this has only happened once since 1974."

After the meeting, Syler said that several things had been turned up during the senate's investigation, but that none were "hard core statements or written proof."

"We wanted to find written facts that said here is why Hillman can't be tenured," he said. "But we failed. We did discover, though, that there is a big split in the speech department staff. And that it is commonly known that Larry Lowe (chairman of speech and theatre) is on one side and Dr. Hillman is on another. It also came to our attention that things had been said and that Lowe had vowed, in front of other people, to get rid of Hillman."

"We can't prove these things and we're not saying they really happened, but they do show to be major factors and are more involved than what the university has lead us to believe."

Syler went on to appeal to the administration that the Hillman tenure decision was up to them. "The administration has always been rational and has tried to do what is best for the students. I feel sure they won't let us down."

Library and LRC close early due to weather conditions

The weather was a major factor in the early closing of the library and the personalized learning lab of the Learning Resources Center Wednesday night.

"Whether or not the library will close again will depend on how the roads are. We have had trouble before," Don Craig, university librarian, explained. "Some workers live quite a way from the library."

Mary Jo James, director of media services in the LRC,

could remember this happening only once before, during an ice storm last year.

"I first became concerned for the safety of the workers when I heard the night classes had been cancelled due to bad weather conditions," she said. James then called Craig and they decided it would be best to see if they could close.

"I was naturally concerned about the staff," James said. As in Craig's situation, a lot of the

lab workers live a long way from the school.

Both James and Craig said they asked the students if they minded the early closing before a decision was reached.

"We were in a terrible bind," James said. "If anyone had needed to stay, we would have stayed."

The computer lab at the LRC stayed open until 11:30 p.m. instead of the usual 12:00 because there were students using the facilities.

Lectures designed for awareness

By MELANIE THOMISON
Sidelines Staff Writer

"Ideas that shape the modern world" is the overall topic of honor lecture series for this semester, according to June McCash, honors program director.

A series of lectures, including a variety of thought-provoking discussions ranging from modern art to Sigmund Freud, is being presented by the members of the MTSU faculty every Wednesday afternoon.

The lecture series meets in Dining Room C of the James

Union Building at 3 p.m. each Wednesday evening through April 23.

The lectures, sponsored by the MTSU Honors Program, last approximately one hour.

"What we've tried to do is put together a lecture series based on the important thinkers of the modern world by the modern world," McCash commented. "I guess we're dealing with anything from after the French Revolution until the present, although most of these people we're dealing with are from 19th and 20th centuries."

She said the series deals with people, movements or ideas that have had specific impact.

"For example," McCash said, "we've started out primarily with figures like Wagner, Darwin, Marx, Freud, Einstein and moving to such similar ideas as existentialism, structuralism and behaviorism. Then we shift toward movements like Civil Rights and feminism."

Music and art was discussed at the beginning, but the "icing on the cake" will be at the end when a panel discussion on the selling of the President occurs.

"The reason that we're doing this is because it's in the lecture, and I thought it might be interesting to students who come to these lectures to see how they're being manipulated by the media," McCash said.


The panel will include Everett Cunningham, professor of political science; Richard Stanley, professor of marketing; Harold Whiteside, assistant professor of psychology; and Robert Wyatt, associate professor of mass communications.

McCash noted the lecture series is open to students on a "want-to-come" basis, but the series is also open to honors students for course credit.

"They can get one hour course credit by attending all the lectures and writing a summary of the information which they collect," she remarked. "The grading is done on strictly a pass/fail basis."

"This takes a certain amount of pressure off the student in terms of grades, but at the same time the purpose is to provide enrichment to the honors students and to all students who are interested," she added. "Because it is open to the public,"

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Bruce Davidson's photographs will be on display in the LRC photogallery from Feb. 3-21. Davidson sees his photos as not preaching but communicating.

Davidson's work shown

The work of Bruce Davidson will be featured in the LRC photographic gallery Feb. 3-21.

Davidson, author of "East 100th Street" and a member of Magnum Photos, is currently working on his third documentary film. After receiving a photography degree from Rochester Institute of Photography, he was a freelance photographer in Paris and New York City.

"In order for Davidson to do good documentary work, he gets involved with people and mingles with them, because it gives him insight to do good photography. He does all this to get the feel of what he's doing," Curator Harold Baldwin said.

"I suppose if you could describe my pictures — I don't like to describe them — but if I had to I would say that they are silent, tense and spacious, and that most of them are landscapes. The landscapes happen to be of people," Davidson said.

"Most of my photographs are compassionate, gentle and personal. They tend to let the viewer see himself. They tend not to preach. And they tend not to pose as art," he added.

His work has been exhibited

at the Museum of Modern Art, George Eastman House and the Smithsonian Institution.

"When I see for the first time, when I am beyond looking and into seeing things and understanding their meaning, then I've communicated at least to myself," he said. "The experience of being there with a camera helped do that and that experience, at least in part, can be transferred to somebody else through the photograph. And that's called communication."

Hours for the gallery are 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to noon Saturday and 6-10:30 p.m. Sunday.

Penny drop bout taken by ADPi

Over \$400 was raised for two organizations by Alpha Delta Pi sorority Monday and Tuesday during the Penny Drop sponsored by the sorority pledge classes.

The money was raised for the charity chosen by the winning sorority. ADPi raised \$100 for the Rape Crisis Center and \$300 to their national philanthropy project, Ronald McDonald House.

"The Ronald McDonald House is a place near cancer treatment centers where families of cancer patients may stay during the patients' treatment," said Judy Holdredge, pledge trainer of Alpha Delta Pi.

In the contest, each penny donated added a point to the sorority it was given to. If a nickel, dime, quarter or half-dollar was contributed, the amount donated was subtracted from the total.

ADPi raised \$141 and had 8200 points. Second was Delta Zeta who had \$122 and 4449 points; third was Kappa Delta with \$58 and 4426 points then Chi Omega with \$54 and 2504 points.

Sidelights

Two day fishing course scheduled

Eight members of the Bass Fishing Institute will conduct a two-day course on bass fishing sponsored through the Middle Tennessee State University of Office of Continuing Education.

To be a successful fisherman, you don't have to be a professional, but knowing their methods and techniques is essential. The dates of the course will be Feb. 9 and 10 at Murphy Center from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Director of the program is Louis Jensen and conducting the institute will be professional bass fishermen including Al Linder, Bobby Murray, Frank Morris, Bill Dance, Jerry McKinnis, Tom Mann, Bill Nichols, Billy Murray and others.

Classroom instruction includes topics on bass biology, lure selection, balanced tackle, casting techniques, electronic equipment, conservation awareness, lake and water analysis and structure and pattern fishing.

This program is sponsored by Indiana State University, and all registration must be processed through that office.

No registrations will be allowed at the Institute site. For fee and registration information, call the MTSU Office of Continuing Education at 898-2462.

Intro to computer language offered

A course designed to introduce students to computer language will begin Feb. 5 in Kirksey Old Main from 6 p.m.-8 p.m.

Sponsored by the MTSU department of Continuing Education, the course will include assignment statements, transfer of control statements, read, write and format statements and elementary flow charts.

Approximately 50 percent of the time will be spent on computer terminals.

Associate professor of mathematics and computer science Homer Thornsby will instruct the course, which will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays Feb. 5-28. Class fee is \$40. For more information, contact the office of Continuing Education at 898-2462.

Coffee houses focus on student talent

Residence Hall Programming is sponsoring a coffee house in the grill annex Monday, Feb. 4, from 8-10 p.m. Student talent will be featured.

Lectures

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we've had people who are from the community attend the lecture series."

McCash noted that faculty members have been coming on a regular basis, also. She said she has been pleased with the quality of the lectures so far.

"The faculty's willingness to be involved in something like this was great, she said, "because around this time of the semester, the faculty is very busy."

McCash commented that she has been very pleased thus far with the quality of the lectures, as well as the numerous people who've attended. There have

been several standing-room only on Wednesdays.

Other lectures to be presented are:

February 13, "The Impact of Freud," Larry Morris, professor of psychology;

February 20, "Kenysian Economics," Billy Balch, professor of chemistry;

February 27, "Albert Einstein: Scientist-Humanist," Roy Clark, professor of chemistry;

March 5, "Existentialism," Gray Cox, instructor of philosophy;

March 26, "Behaviorism," Robert Prytula, professor of psychology.

People usually don't have time to go out and read the "Communist Manifesto" or various things that are written by the people being discussed, but at the same time they want to be knowledgeable and aware, McCash said.

"This is what the series is designed to do — sort of fill in some of the gaps in your education," she summarized. "We (as teachers) tend to assume that you, as students, know all these things, and sometimes you don't. To make you aware of these things is what we're trying to do."

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from the editor

Syler: Lacks all the facts on tax, fraternity row

Associated Student Body officials clearly did not have all their facts together before initiating the fraternity row proposal last semester or the voter registration drive this semester.

Both ideas looked hopeful until last Monday night at the county commission's public hearing when it was learned that students who register to vote here may have to pay a wheel tax.

How does the wheel tax connect to fraternity row?

Kent Syler, ASB president initiated a voter registration drive on campus so students could vote on city officials who favored certain projects, such as fraternity row. This has not been said in so many words, but then again what is evident doesn't have to be said.

Monday night the plan back-fired. Commissioner Homer Cannon and Ellis "Doc" Benson said students who declare residency and registered to vote in Rutherford county may have to pay the wheel tax. The current wheel tax is \$15 for cars and \$5 for motorcycles plus a 75 cent clerk fee. The commission is now considering an additional \$10 tax increase.

Syler should have already known about the possibility of having to pay the wheel tax. He should have discussed all problem aspects with city officials before initiating the plan. If ASB officials did know that students they were registering might have to pay the tax, they did nothing, to our knowledge, to inform the students of this. Students were never aware of possible repercussions they could face if they registered to vote here.

Syler and several others jumped into the fraternity row proposal without clearly thinking everything out. Fraternity row was never brought up in the ASB house or senate. Only recently has the ASB attempted to use a survey to find out how many people truly are interested in fraternity row. Perhaps they were afraid of what the results might have been if a survey had been conducted earlier.

An on-campus fraternity row is a good idea. Too bad persons backing it did not have all the facts up front before diving into the issue.

'Ms.': Usage banned in London newspaper

Usage of the word "Ms.," a title used before the name of a woman instead of Mrs. or Miss, was banned Tuesday from the *Times of London* for no legitimate reason.

Columnist Trevor Fishlock denounced the word as an "artificial, ugly, silly, faddish, middle class plaything," and said the word "means nothing and is rotten English."

"Ms." is not rotten English in our opinion. Consequently it comes in quite handy when the marital status of a woman is not clear. MTSU English professor John McDaniel said he does not feel "Ms." is incorrect English.

"I don't think it is bad English, in fact it's very helpful when trying to get around some sticky situations," he said. "What is good and bad in English changes with the language."

Charles Wolfe, another English instructor, explained that "Ms." was brought about by women's liberation groups, and was, in a sense, forced upon the people. He said it is very rare that words forced upon the people by a minority group take hold.

But "Ms." has taken hold. It can be found in *Webster's New Twentieth Century Dictionary, Unabridged*.

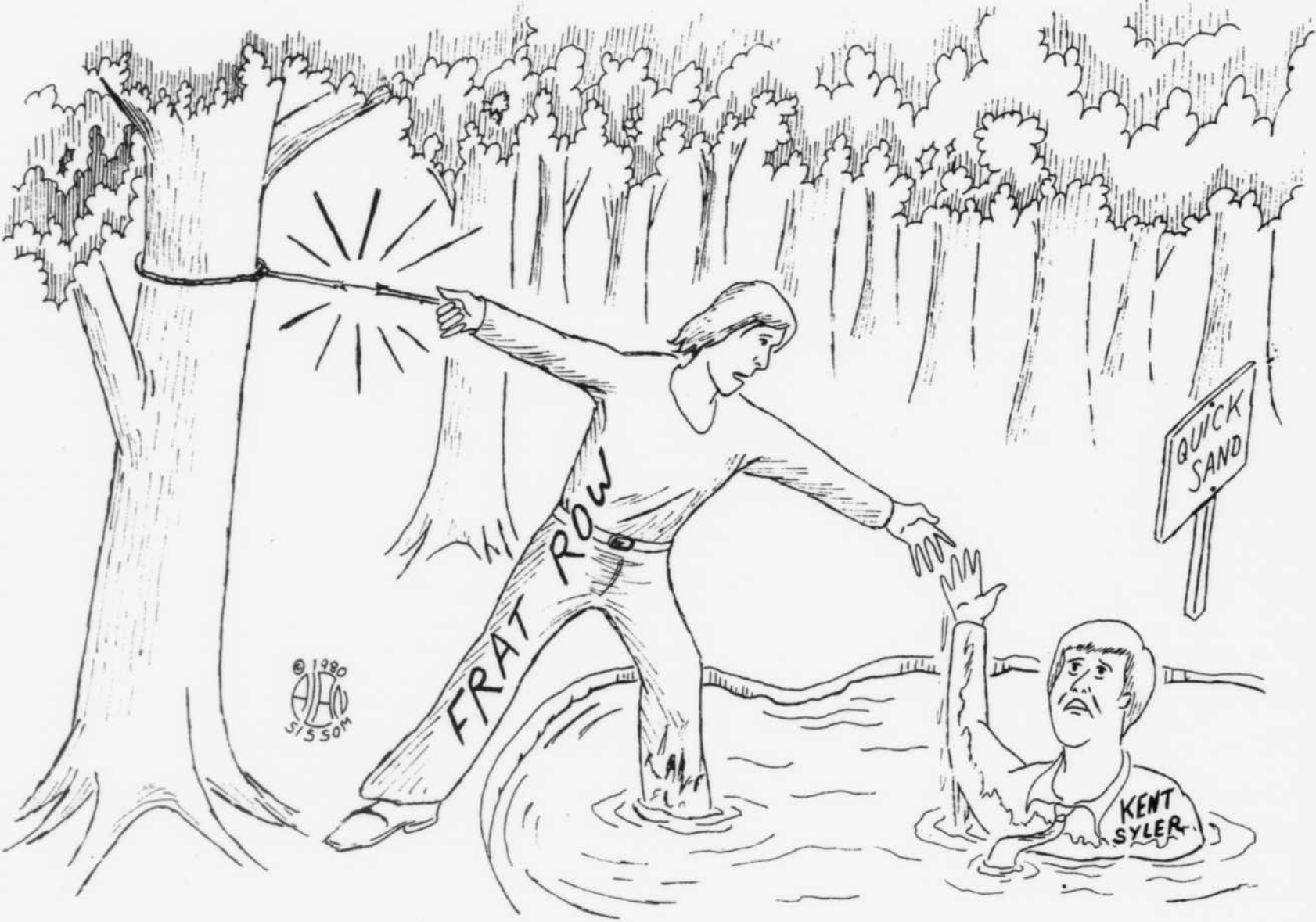
Furthermore, many women prefer to be called "Ms." instead of "Miss" or "Mrs." These Ms.'s (sorry, bad English) have a right to be referred to that way. If the word is so distasteful, ugly and silly, why is it preferred by so many women?

If "Ms." is banned, "Miss, Mrs. and Mr." should also be banned. Each of these abbreviations simply label individuals. "Ms." is no worse than the others.

Fishlock's relative dislike of the word is not a legitimate reason for banning "Ms." from magazines. Hopefully, other publications will not follow suit.

Friday, February 1, 1980

Viewpoints



Republicans, Democrats speak out on issues

Activity fund belongs to us

By BILL ALLEN
Democrat

Did you know that the ASB has roughly \$19,000 in an activity fund? Do you realize that it is your money? You were assessed \$1 during registration for a general fund for student needs.

General student needs. That sounds like everyone is included. Commuters, dorm residents, foreign students, fraternities and sororities all fall under the label "students." The general fund is a great idea, as long as it benefits a majority of students.

This may not be the case with our activity fund. Organizations and individuals have been invited to make proposals on how the fund should be allocated. The proposals are considered by a committee of three students and three faculty. The committee has discretion over which proposals are most important and how the fund will be spent. There are over 10,000 students on campus and only three students on the committee. That fund is your money, people. Has the democratic process delegated the thoughts and desires of 10,000 people to six individuals?

A student referendum with a list of proposals to be voted on at an appropriate time would surely be more democratic than a committee that holds all the purse strings. The house and

senate cannot appropriate money. As it stands, the activity fund is accessible to organized groups with worthy proposals. That leaves out commuters and others that paid for the fund, but have no input.

The political maxim, greatest good for the greatest number, somehow falls short here. A student referendum would give more people access to decision making and policy. College students still constitute a minority of the population, only 17 percent. Don't wait until you are out of school to make decisions, start now. You are given the tools to think at MTSU. Use them!

The fund could be used for services to the general student body. It can benefit all students in practical ways.

A summer pavillion, built near the grill, would benefit students. Benches, tables and shaded areas would free the students from the claustrophobic grill.

Use the fund to light the dark areas of campus. People are afraid to walk on campus at night. Some areas can be lit up at night with the new low sodium lights used in some cities to reduce crime.

Are students being taxed?

By ALAN ELAM
Republican

MTSU is the nation in microcosm. The people of this country have allowed government to burden them with high taxes in the hope that their funds will be used to provide beneficial social programs. Likewise, the students of MTSU have allowed the ASB to tax them, all the while hoping for worthwhile activities.

Most people will agree that society owes it to the aged, disabled, unemployed and underprivileged to provide for them. Indeed, society has demonstrated time and again its willingness to do so. What we too often neglect to admit is that government is not capable of efficiently accomplishing this task.

The exceptional economic strength of this country was brought about through free enterprise, based upon the concept that economic freedom is the essential prerequisite to individual liberty. Economic freedom professes that centralized government cannot possibly bear the load of the millions of individual economic decisions made daily in our market places, nor should they.

Government was established to protect our freedoms and its authority was expanded to serve the people in those areas in which the people were not economically or logistically

capable of serving themselves. How quickly they overstepped their boundaries.

The ASB activity fee is a prime example of how conditioned we are to acknowledge government's right to take away our money without blinking an eye. We seem convinced that the divine providence of government will assuredly make life better for us than we could for ourselves. We need to clear our eyes and examine the record. Will our dollars, already grossly devalued by government deficit spending and regulation, be worth more to us after they pass through bureaucratic hands again? History tells us no.

Let's take the reins back into our own hands and do with our dollars as we each individually choose. Allowing them to govern our pocketbooks allows them to govern our lives.

The Republican party represents our last hope for less government, and the Kemp-Roth tax-cut bill is the people's best opportunity to get a rein on the parasitic elements in Washington. The Democrats will merely lure us to desire bigger and better programs. Unfortunately, the student activity fee demonstrates just how deceiving are their lures and how thoughtlessly we are willing to relinquish our economic freedom.

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Students have to be aware and involved for anything to happen. Get concerned, see the ASB; don't let others think for you.



Friday, February 1, 1980

Perspective

from our readers

Hillman has fortitude, love

To the editor:

We have tried to decide what course to take in this situation concerning our neighbor and our friend, Ralph Hillman, and have decided an open letter may reach the most people.

We can't write to you about how great a teacher Ralph is — we are not connected in any way with the University, nor have we had a child in any of his classes. We only have to think he teaches like he does everything else — with dedication, honesty, concentration and complete devotion to the subject at hand. This is the way he lives his life.

Our family has lived next door to Ralph and Sue and their three children since they moved to Murfreesboro. We have shared many happy, lonely and laughing times with them. We have also "walked through the valley of the shadows" with them. The Hillman family has endured, and indeed, lived through a tragedy that would have felled a lesser family. We have watched them grasp this situation and change it into a lesson in faith, love, courage and hope. They have been a living example of Christian fortitude and strength that has been a lesson to all of us.

There are many more things we could add, but mainly we wish to ask all in charge of this decision of whether to give tenure to Ralph to please act wisely and judge fairly — don't lose this fine teacher.

We consider Ralph Hillman one of the finest men we have ever known. He's a faithful husband to Sue; a loving father to Andrew, Jeffery and Kristin; an active member in his church; a dedicated teacher and a good friend.

MTSU — don't lose him!

Ralph Hillman, we're proud to know you!

Larry and Dawn Solmonson
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Excuses for draft

To the editor:

Wednesday evening while watching the President's State of the Union message, I was quite amazed at the mention of resuming the registration for the draft. I began picturing the Selective Service Officers saying, "Oh no, here we go again. I wonder what new excuses we'll hear this time around." There have been many "evasion" excuses handed down over the years, but I've come up with a few new ones for those with "intentions" to add to their list.

- 1) My family doctor tells me I have "leadphobia" (the fear of anything made of lead — mortar shells, bullets, hand grenades, etc.).
- 2) Could you please speak a little louder? Sometimes my left ear gives me trouble.
- 3) I don't look good in green!
- 4) Short hair gives me a cold.
- 5) I still wet my pants when I hear thunder. God knows what will happen when that first grenade explodes.

For those who don't want to go to the trouble to con the Selective Service or are bad liars, there is an alternate route — exile. Some of the more inconspicuous places to conceal yourself include Calcutta, India (population in excess of 3,000,000); Sala-Y-Gomez (some 2000 miles off the coast of Chile); Panama (if the Shah can, why not?); and Egypt (Sadat has offered harbor to a refugee, just be first in line).

This article was not written so as to in any way degrade

President Carter, the United States or its people. This is a very serious time in our country's history, and it's important that we all stick together. Through hard times, humor can sometimes be a great reliever of tension. When that humor is lost, then we can begin to worry!

Jim Gilbert
Box 3393

Who benefits?

To the editor:

I am writing this letter because of my dissatisfaction with this campus concerning fraternity row.

Benefits for the MTSU campus concerning frat row are being grossly overstated. Is frat row going to benefit the 20 percent Greeks or the 80 percent independents? As to frat row keeping people here for the weekends — bull! The people attending these frat parties can only consist of "ladies and special guests." Also, who would want to stay in the dorms for the weekend, risking attack from shrews, mice and roaches.

I don't believe frat row will cut down on drunk drivers; it will just increase the revenue from campus police involving all the extra tickets they will hand out.

Is it fair for these fraternities to be able to lease land from the school for \$1 a year and have drinking privileges, while students who pay \$230 and up a semester for a dorm room can not? Why not use all this money for apartments for student who can not find housing. Many departments on this campus need money, including Recording Industry Management and Photography to name a few.

Aren't we here to learn more than socialize on frat row? Come on, people, speak up and fight back!

Kathy Tray
Box 7917

Don't use taxes for fraternity row

To the editor:

After reading the article titled "Fraternity row on campus beneficial in many ways" in the editor's column of Tuesday's *Sidelines*, I felt that a response from another point of view was necessary.

I am not in opposition to the concept of a fraternity row. I myself enjoy going to many of the fraternity functions. However, I feel that the taxes paid by the people of the city of Murfreesboro should not be used in the construction of the roads and sewers needed for a fraternity row.

The fraternities should be able to pay for these expenses. If a contractor were to develop a neighborhood, he would pay for these expenses. The city of Murfreesboro has many more urgent and useful means of putting our tax dollars to work.

The point that is continuously stressed is that a fraternity row would put the fraternities on the campus and out of the neighborhoods of the city. The proposed plan of opening up Rutherford Boulevard and City View Drive is one that will simply destroy two fine neighborhoods in Murfreesboro. This does not appear to be a solution concerning the fraternities and residential areas.

Rather, why is there not a plan for building a road to fraternity road from the campus? There seems to be at least two possible choices — the road

in front of Cummings Dorm or the road that goes in front of the Horse Barn — that could be used to reach fraternity row. This would certainly keep the fraternities on the campus, which is one of the supposed "benefits" of fraternity row.

As for the benefit of alleviating traffic congestion around campus, this proposal would do nothing but increase traffic in an already congested area. Rutherford Boulevard opens onto Greenland Drive which is an extremely well-traveled road. City View opens onto East Main Street, which receives the traffic from the Woodbury Highway.

Neither of these roads needs the additional traffic from fraternity members going to the college. Whereas if there were only one entrance from the college, the students would stay on the campus.

Also, I do not believe that there will be any great increase in the number of students who stay in Murfreesboro on weekends due to fraternity row. Those students who stay for fraternity functions will stay regardless of where the houses are located.

If the fraternities want a fraternity row, let them have one. But let it be isolated on the campus; do not let the tax dollars of Murfreesboro be squandered on a road and sewers and do not ruin two fine neighborhoods of the city of Murfreesboro.

Lisa Lowe
Box 7440

Program praised

To the editor:

As a participant in the Basic Educational Skills Workshop that was held at MTSU this past summer, I would like to speak out in favor of continuing this program.

After completing this program, I re-enrolled at MTSU after an 11 year gap in my formal educational pursuits. I secured a 3.4 average as a full time student last fall. I am very proud of this accomplishment and attribute my attitude as well as my study habits to what I learned in the Basic Skills Program. My record isn't an isolated example of what this program has produced.

I feel the success of this program entails a lot, but I think there are two main points that should be brought to the attention of the university and the community. First, the response and cooperation of the leaders in our community and its industries has been very positive and supportive of the workshop. It is encouraging to see people from different walks in life unite for a common goal.

Secondly, the teaching team that was assembled for the workshop was what we, the participants, termed "the cream of the crop." The way they addressed the individual needs of the students in their classes was far above and beyond the call of duty. Each student was assessed and approached with goal-oriented counseling and support. The fact that we weren't treated as numbers, systematically drilled and thrown out on our own to sink or swim should be taken into consideration when determining whether or not to continue the workshop. The follow-up is just as important as recruitment.

I would also like to thank everyone involved in the Basic Educational Skills program. This includes the university, the community leaders, the politicians, and all of the other people who have paid taxes

(especially the taxpayers who "wonder where their money went"). Someone once told me that a good teacher is a person who teaches you how to think constructively. Therefore, for each teacher in the Basic Educational Skills program, I would like to issue a very special thanks, for you have, in my opinion, truly fulfilled the ongoing role of educators.

I hope this program can be offered on a continuing basis. The opportunities it could provide for all of us are limitless.

Kay Holley
MTSU Box 7404

All do not get pot paranoia

To the editor:

The impressions left from the article "Users Relate Experiences" (Jan. 29) is that paranoia is the main effect of marijuana. From my personal experience, paranoia is bare minimum.

I have never experienced depression from marijuana either. I emphasize this is personal experience. "Jeremy" and "Elizabeth's" experiences were personal also and should not be characterized as every smoker's experience.

Each smoker reacts different. I like smoking pot and there is a reported 20 million other people that do, too.

Be fair, listen to us, too. Listen to the American Psychiatric Association who was quoted, "The greatest pot danger is getting busted."

The APA along with the American Bar Association, American Public Health Association, National Council of Churches, National Education Association, National Association for Mental Health and the American Medical Association have come out for the decriminalization of marijuana.

Surely these well established organizations would not endorse a decriminalization of a drug whose overall effect is harmful. The facts need to be printed. All the facts. Then let the people decide. Not a few politicians on Capital Hill.

Name withheld by request

School needs snow days

To the editor:

This is only my second semester and first winter at MTSU and I already have a gripe about the way this school is run.

I am a commuter, as are a great number of students on this campus. Some people commute from as far away as Chattanooga. I realize this is rare, but the average commuter travel distances of 25 to 50 miles in each direction. I feel that since this school does have a great number of commuting students and some commuting instructors, considerations of these people need to be taken on snowy or icy days. I realize that it would leave the boarding students without class also, but I'm sure that most of them wouldn't mind.

I think the university ought to build some snow days into the school year for such occasions.

I feel that it may take a little extra work for the administration, but it would be worth it, I'm sure, for our safety as well as our education.

I am here on a bad icy day, but only because I have a brother who I can spend the rest of the week with.

Larry W. Redmond
Box 5774

on the wall

by Jackie Gearhart

Being looked after can bring one painful mental anguish

I am slowly developing an inferiority complex. Everytime I open my eyes I see the phrase "For your protection." It's not only when I go to the drugstore or the grocery, but right in my own apartment.

It's as if the walls are whispering, "You stupid, half-witted consumer. Can't you do anything right?"

I'm scared to death that the next time I wash my clothes, a man is going to jump out of the washing machine and say, "Too bad your wash is only second rate!"

I'll go running back into the kitchen where a voice will come from the cupboard, "You drudge of a housewife! Don't you even know your husband prefers stuffing instead of potatoes?"

"But I'm not even married!" I'll scream.

As if that isn't enough, I can't even open my vitamin B-6 without reading, "sealed for your protection, you idiot." It's no wonder paranoia has set in when I'm having to be guarded against overdosing on vitamins.

I even tried to escape the other day and checked in a motel. Then there was that sign "Door locks automatically for your safety." I ran to the bathroom to lock myself in and, lo and behold, a white strip of paper: "Sanitized for your protection."

I don't even know what I'm being protected against. Is there some evil force out to get me? It's no wonder I can't take control of my life. I'm constantly reminded by consumer agencies that I need someone to look after me. There's the Food and Drug Administration to make sure no one poisons me, and the Welfare Agency to make sure I don't starve.

Of course there are the countless organizations that keep an eye on advertisers to make sure I don't buy anything I don't want to; there are controls that make sure I'm not overcharged for those things that I don't want to buy.

There is a bright orange label on my blow dryer that warns me against putting it in the bathtub with me. What kind of idiot do people think I am? If it's not the government, it's the Shell Answer Man. If it's not bright orange labels, it's wetness indicators on diapers, as if any normal mother couldn't tell when her baby was wet.

I just can't take it any longer. They've finally convinced me that I can't even shave my legs without cutting my throat. I finally realize that I can't walk down the street without tripping over my own feet and killing myself.

I think I'll go to the bookstore and buy one of those how-to books. "How to Take Charge of Your Life," or "How to Be Your Own Best Friend," "Your Erroneous Zones," "Passages," "Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Self Confidence But Were Too Paranoid To Ask."

Maybe I'll just write one myself: "How To Tear Off Orange Labels," or maybe "Ten Easy Steps to Make Your Husband Eat Potatoes Instead of Stuffing." Wait, I've got it! "How To Assassinate Ralph Nader."

as i see it

by Chuck Keller

Commercials are an insult to the public's intelligence

When was the last time you paid real close attention to the commercials shown on television?

As Americans, we are subjected to endless themes and subjects dealing with the system of "free enterprise." This past week I decided to closely observe as many commercials as possible.

My task began last night at precisely 11:59 when the following plea to millions of Americans was made: "Now for the first time, you can get the greatest all-time hits of one of America's top groups!"

Being a compulsive buyer, I quickly called the toll-free number (before midnight tonight) and ordered the greatest hits of "The All American, Grass Roots, Country Roads Jug Band." I just couldn't believe that the one-record collection would be mine for the small price of \$8.79.

The next commercial . . . well you probably saw it too so, why don't we just compare notes?

How about toothpaste commercials? There is one about a drugstore that only stocks one item and the store clerk never collects any money from his customer. Another deals with a babysitter who always carries a glass of colored water and chalk in her purse.

Coffee commercials are making a big comeback. Once again, the nosey neighbor plays an important role by constantly carrying something in a brown shopping bag that has been "mountain grown." Nobody knows where this lady lives, and it is commonly thought that she wanders from house to house peddling the freshest, best-tasting product currently on the market.

Since the early days of John Cameron Swazye, we have been through the adventures of "The Watch That Doesn't Know It's a Watch." My favorite is when they strapped a watch to the propeller of a powerboat and then took part in a race.

True to form, it took a licking and kept on ticking. The only problem was that in the original commercial, John dropped the watch and it broke.

Day after day, limitless exhibitions which ridicule and question the intelligence of the American public are brought into our living room, den, kitchen and (in some instances) bedroom.

Now is the time to unite and express our feelings to those in charge of television advertising. If you agree, then send a card or letter to me in care of *Sidelines*. Remember . . . to take part in this limited offer, your letter must be received before midnight tonight.

Ed. note: *Sidelines* has received more letters this week than we were able to print. We regret that all letters were not printed and will try to run them in forthcoming issues. *Sidelines* welcomes all letters to the editor.



photo by Mark Holland

Two performers sing a number during the Phi Mu Alpha stage band show, "Fantasy," Wednesday night. "Fantasy" will be performed again tonight in the DA at 8 p.m.

Fantasy well received

The Phi Mu Alpha Stage Band presented its show, "Fantasy," Wednesday night in the Dramatic Arts auditorium.

The concert opened with sound and light effects on a "Fantasy" sign and eight vocalists were backed by the band's rendition of an Earth, Wind & Fire tune.

The audience was particularly pleased with the song "Gimme That Wine," performed by vocalists Michael Fairchild, Bill Fisher, Russell Fox and Howard Malone.

"Moanin' Low" featured

Teree Grant, Melanie Messick, Jocelyn McDonald and Carol Tinnon as dance hall girls singing the blues.

The stage band did an outstanding job on "We're All Alone" which featured Chris Arrowood on percussion. Saxophonist Mark Douthit and accordionist Bill Fisher shared the spotlight on Billy Joel's "Scenes From An Italian Restaurant."

"Fantasy" will be presented again tonight at 8 p.m. in the DA.

Wet songs fill Streisand's new, best album

By TERRY MORROW
Sidelines Staff Writer

Barbra Streisand is Wet.

That is not so amazing though. Her new album, *WET*, is one of her best albums to date. Its concept is cute, but the presentation of the theme is hardly new. The entire album has one focus: it deals with songs that have something to do with the sticky stuff. One review stated that Streisand must be wet in the head for going with such a theme, but some choose to disagree. In fact, the only thing that could truly be called 'wet' about this album is its sales.

Produced by CBS Records, the album would seem to be a big front to promote Streisand's new disco duet with Donna Summer, *No More Tears*. But that is not the case for this album. It has some songs that merit good taste and are just plain good to listen to. It is a showcase for Streisand's sullen tones and almost alluring style that has made her voice one that has launched millions of record sales for many years.

The first side is an overflow of her talents. Starting off with the title cut, *Wet*, Streisand makes the slow moving, unexciting song into anything but soggy.

Wet is also on the flip side of the *No More Tears* single. A rather upbeat version of *Come Rain or Come Shine*, a 1930s torch song, and *Splish Splash*, the silly song from the middle 1950s, are also noteworthy for side one.

Ending up the first songs are two not so noteworthy ballads called *On Rainy Afternoons* and *After the Rain*. These two are so bad that they should be banished from the album, but they are forgivable since side two comes up next.

WET's side two is the true masterpiece that will save the album. Starting off with her well-done duet with the "queen of disco" Donna Summer, this version of *No More Tears* is shorter (only six minutes as compared with Summer's eight minute version on her album). In fact, many parts of the elements that make the song a disco classic are not in this version of the hit. It eliminates the flashy techniques that are employed elsewhere. For those who hate disco, this *No More Tears* is bearable.

The next song is probably the best single outside of the Summer/Streisand duet. Titled *Niagara*, the song was composed by award winner Marvin Hamlisch. This composition is definitely first rate. Unfortunately, songs like *Niagara*

Dreams. This short story works on two levels. On the fantasy level it tells a very frightening tale about ghosts of executed Nazi war criminals who walk New York streets. But if the reader looks closer at what Ellison is saying, he becomes aware that it is a biting observation on the fact that we cannot learn from mistakes. In other words, we are making the same ones that we made forty years ago.

Obviously, this book should not be read by those who do not like to think. Ellison forces the reader to . . . or else. But if you like to read books with a little substance, as compared to most, *Strange Wine* is for you.

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PERSONALS

Reward offered for roll of color slide film lost near Murphy Center Thursday. Call 898-4990.

Biko mystery cleared

Journalist Donald Woods will present a lecture Feb. 11 at 8 p.m. in the Multi Media room of the LRCon the mystery surrounding the death of anti-apartheid activist Steve Biko.

Biko was a leading black exponent in the fight for racial equality in South African government.

Woods lecture will be presented as a part of Brotherhood Week on campus.

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Focus:

Human Performance Lab

photos by

David Mudd



Lab Assistant Lary McCrosky, left, takes a dip in the underwater weighing tank which computes the percent of a persons body fat. Above, McCrosky and Annette Grimes demonstrate the physiograph, which gives a readout on bodily functions pertaining to stress. These instruments are located in the Human Performance Lab, a station that facilitates equipment that evaluates a persons physiological and biochemical responses of sports skills.



Annette Grimes walks on the treadmill, an instrument in the lab that measures a persons stress and cardiovascular system. By using other attachments Annette can watch her heartbeat rate over an oscilloscope while treading.

Jogging proves healthy in long run

By ELIOT MITCHELL
Sidelines Staff Writer

Jogging is a healthy exercise. At least, that is what Guy Penny, director of MTSU's Human Performance Lab, has found after studying the effects of jogging for six years.

He is conducting research on the effects of jogging on the cardiovascular system. Using lab equipment, he has determined that "jogging prevents body fat, lowers the resting heart rate, lowers blood pressure and strengthens the heart muscle."

Penny's studies are set apart from most previous studies on jogging because he is researching the long term effects of jogging, not just the short term effects. And, he hopes to continue his research as long as possible.

Twelve men and women who do not regularly exercise are used as the control group. The experimental group consists of 22 people who run an average of three to four days a week. A few long distance runners are also included in this group.

One fact that Penny's studies have confirmed is the increased presence of High Density Lipoproteins (HDL) in all runners. HDL is a form of cholesterol that is supposedly helpful to the arteries.

HDL destroys the fat that grows in arteries and is being studied as a possible element to fight or even prevent hardening of the arteries, according to Penny. Runners have almost more than twice the HDL in their blood than non-runners.

Located next to the Alumni Gym, the Human Performance Lab is "an instructional station where students gain practical knowledge related to the evaluation of physiological and biomechanical responses of sports skills," Penny said. "The

lab is to provide facilities for faculty and graduate students research."

Using over \$40,000 of equipment, students can determine their body composition, blood pressure, heart beat strength (EKG), flexibility, vital capacity and oxygen intake and output.

"As a P.E. major, the lab is more concerned toward my field of study than any other class," senior Ricky Whited said.

Amanda Nokes, junior, said she has "learned a lot about exercise, and what you should and should not do and most importantly why."

Larry McCrosky, junior physical education major, said he has "learned more in the lab than in any other class at MTSU."

McCrosky, who is a lab assistant, thinks the tread mill is the most important piece of equipment in the lab. "The tread mill test measures a persons maximum heart rate and shows them what kind of shape their in."

The tread mill, a machine with a moving track that can be raised at an angle and increased in speed, is designed to put stress on a persons heart while he's walking or running.

Another important instrument, according to McCrosky, is the underwater tank, which measures body fat.

One thing that McCrosky enjoys about the lab is being able to compare himself and his abilities to the norms of people his age in the rest of the nation. "It's interesting to run a test on yourself and watch the results of what your body has just done."

Whited thinks it's interesting "to watch someone's heart rate jump or increase as they work

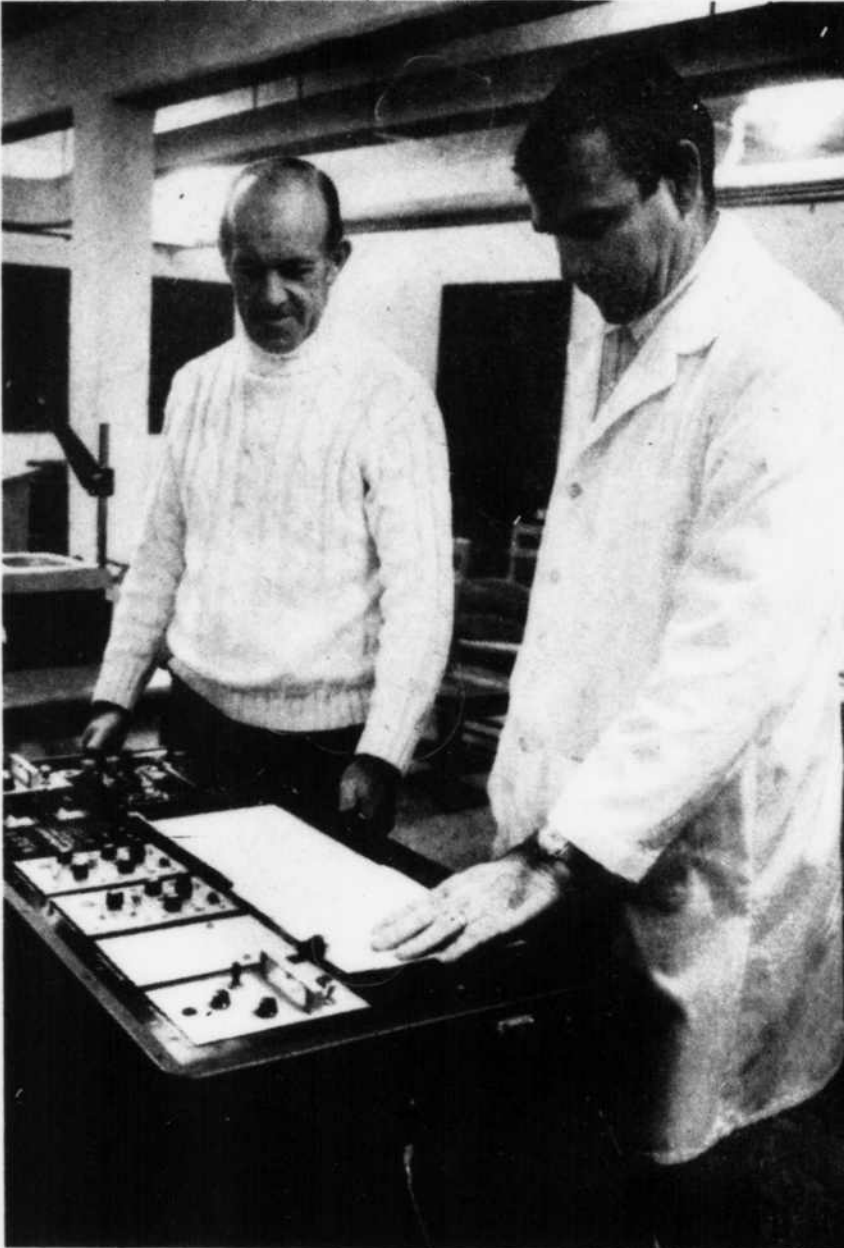
under pressure or stress."

Penny said some new ideas are developed in the field of health and physical education, the lab will be able to use the available equipment and do research in these areas."

"The desire of the department is to go in the direction of motor learning," he said. "The machine that the lab needs the most is a respiratory monitor; it

measures a person's total oxygen uptake."

The lab, which is funded through university and faculty research grants, helps students learn to plan training programs related to conditioning and coaching, Penny said. They also learn to evaluate physical education programs already utilized in the teaching profession.



Associate physical education professor Powell McClellan, right, consults with Human Performance Lab director Guy Penny.

MTSU may drop wrestling program

By EDDIE GOSSAGE

Sidelines Sports Editor

Inflation may have made its biggest claim thus far in the athletic department as the university's athletic board is considering dropping the wrestling team.

At a recent board meeting, MTSU athletic director Charles "Bubber" Murphy made a motion that the wrestling program, citing inflation as a main factor.

"The board asked to reconsider dropping aid to the wrestlers and we will meet again shortly to take a vote," Murphy said. "The biggest problem is that there just aren't many

schools close by that we can wrestle.

"It simply boils down to inflation," Murphy added.

Wrestling coach Gordon Connell said he is not ready to give up and plans to meet before the board Feb. 13 when it will meet to reconsider Murphy's request.

"The main thing to remember is that I have not conceded that we will be dropped," Connell stated. "I believe that we have a good chance to be retained if the board makes an open minded effort in looking at certain aspects of the program."

Connell will make several suggestions to the board, hoping to convince the members that

the program is worthwhile.

The three proposals Connell will make are:

(1)-Drop financial aid to wrestlers. Currently, the program has ten in-state scholarships to offer. The total amount of money involved is \$5,447.

(2)-According to Connell, the university receives between \$2,000-3,000 from the state for every student attending MTSU. The wrestling program has over 40 students involved and Connell estimates that approximately 15-20 wrestlers would transfer to other universities. Connell said the money the university will lose from the state will more than

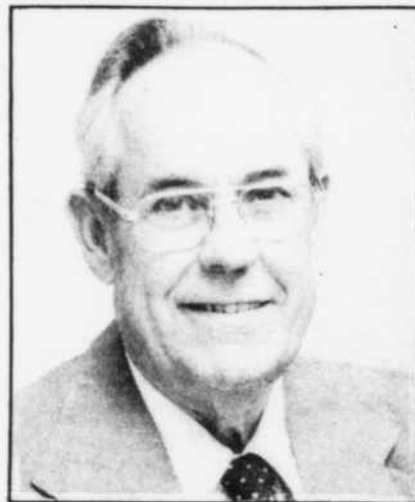
pay for the program.

(3)-Attempt to raise outside money to aid the wrestling program. Connell said given the chance, he feels the wrestlers can raise enough money to supplement any money withdrawn by the university.

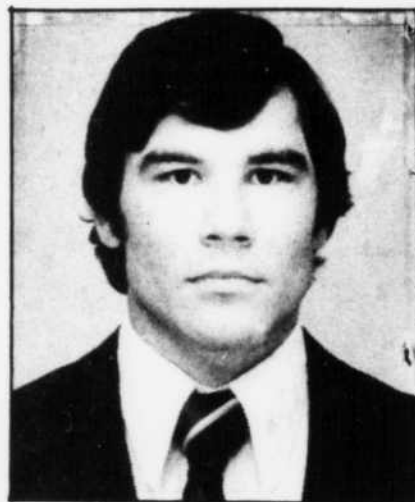
He asks that the program's budget will be set at \$15,000 on a permanent basis. From there, Connell said he and his wrestlers will know just what needs to be done in order to come up with the necessary amount of money to successfully complete the year.

Connell's salary is paid by both the athletic department and the Health, Physical Education and Recreation department, with each picking up half the tab. Connell has been offered a position in the HPER department, but said he will not remain at MTSU if wrestling is discontinued.

"Gordon has done a tremendous job and so have his wrestlers," Murphy said. "The problem is that everything is going up 15 percent. We have to cut back somewhere."



Charles 'Bubber' Murphy



Gordon Connell

Connell said he had been anticipating the proposed discontinuance. Last year, Murphy held off on a proposal to drop wrestling.

"Contrary to what most people think, Coach Murphy could have dropped the program last year," Connell explained. "Everyone has done the best they can. With inflation the way it is, it was just inevitable that something had to be cut."

Connell estimated that the athletic department spends

almost \$21,500 per year on wrestling. Of that amount, \$5,447 go to the ten scholarships. Approximately \$16,000 is spent on various expenses such as travel, supplies, equipment and half of Connell's salary. Connell's proposal is to drop completely the ten scholarships and to cut the \$16,000 to \$15,000.

"We would hate to see it go," Murphy said. "With things going up so much, though, we need some money in other sports."

Sports

Friday, February 1, 1980

Blue Raiders destroy Turk, Eastern Kentucky

By EDDIE GOSSAGE

Sidelines Sports Editor

The Blue Raiders made a "turkey" out of Turk Tillman and his teammates last night as MTSU rolled over Eastern Kentucky 79-64.

The win, which snapped a three-game losing skid, came against the defending OVC champions. The Colonels sported basically the same roster that sent them to the NCAA Midwest Regionals last year, headed by the nation's third leading scorer, Tillman.

Middle Tennessee held Tillman, whose 30.6 average is also tops in the OVC, to only four points on the evening. The key was a special defense the Raiders installed to stop Tillman.

"The key to this game was not the coaches, but the individual players who played a match-up 2-3 zone to perfection," said an obviously happy MTSU coach, Stanley Simpson.

MTSU used the defense to deceive Eastern and the plan worked perfectly. Simpson said the team made the defense look like a 2-3 zone, but when the ball was worked to Tillman's side, forward Jerry Beck collapsed on him and successfully held Tillman to what is perhaps a career low. Tillman, who is featured in this week's edition of *Sports Illustrated*, did

not score a point in the first half, and two of his four points came on free throws.

"In practice, coach Simpson said Tillman could be had," Beck laughed. "I think he was."

Beck tossed in ten points to complement his excellent defensive performance.

The game was close around the middle of the first half. The crowd got behind the team for one of the first times this season after some calls the spectators thought were questionable. The fans showered the court, referees, Eastern's bench and even the sideline spectators with ice before calming down. While the showing was extremely unsportsmanlike, it did ignite both Murphy Center and the MTSU team.

Eastern pulled within two, 11-9, at the 11:53 mark, but Middle controlled the tempo and took a ten point lead at intermission, 31-21.

The Blue Raiders picked up where they left off when the second half opened, but Eastern cut the lead to six shortly after the halftime break. Pancakes Perry's ball handling, aided by Leroy Coleman and Beck, broke an airtight full court press that keyed on MTSU's little point guard.

Middle again assumed control and eventually lead by as many as 24 points before Simpson

emptied the bench to rest his starters and give the subs some playing time.

And for the first time, MTSU showed some of the necessary killer instinct in the second half by snubbing a rally attempt by the Colonels.

"During the second half we got a pretty good lead and then Eastern would cut it back down to 16 or so," Simpson said. "We came back, and that is something we have had trouble doing this year."

On the evening, Eastern was paced by Bruce Jones, who canned 22 points. Only one other Colonel, forward Dale Jenkins, was in double figures with ten.

For MTSU, Coleman bucketed 27, Perry had 16 and Beck had 10. Mike Frost started the game and picked up seven key points and five rebounds. Chris Harris led in the rebounding category as he pulled down nine.

MTSU hit a poor 46 percent from the field, while Eastern hit an even poorer 36.9 percent.

"It was just one of those nights," Eastern coach Ed Bhyre shrugged. "Hell, we just didn't play up to par. Nobody could be as bad as that."

The win moves the Blue Raiders into a tie with Eastern at 3-3 in the OVC.



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Stanley "Ramrod" Simpson protests an official's charging call in last night's MTSU-Eastern Kentucky game. The contest was held up when spectators staged their own protest by showering the court with ice. The game was delayed about three minutes until Simpson and the crowd calmed down.

Lady Raiders keep on winning; defeat Eastern Kentucky

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Lady Raider basketball is serious business.

After claiming the OVC championship last Saturday at Morehead, the Lady Raiders didn't let up against Eastern Kentucky here last night, winning by a 70-54 margin.

The Lady Colonels of EKV never had a chance against the new OVC champs. MTSU not only controlled the opening tip, but also the tempo of the ballgame. As has become their trademark, the Ladies in Blue began pressing Eastern immediately, forcing the Lady Colonels into numerous turnovers (17 in the first half.)

The turnovers paid off tremendously. With more than 16 minutes remaining in the initial period, MTSU had taken a 10-2 lead on at least three "stolen" lay-ups. It began to look as though the Lady Colonels would never get the ball to their end of the court.

After a quick time-out, Eastern challenged the Big Blue to a duel, coming to within four points, 18-14, at the 12:04 mark. MTSU took the challenge seriously, alternating its successful running game with a slow, steady offense. By half-time, the Lady Raiders had

extended the point spread to 40-23.

The second half saw Eastern use the outside shooting talents of guard Loretta Coughlin to stay in the game. That is, barely stay in the game. MTSU continued to press, with only point guard Rita Taylor giving them any trouble at all, and managed to come through with timely baskets to win 70-54.

In actuality, the second portion of the contest belonged to Lady Raider Josephine Wright. Wright, who stands 5-5, blocked four shots, including one where she caught up with Taylor on a fast-break lay-up.

The senior guard, however, came close to injury trying to block a Coughlin shot. Coughlin faked the shot, causing Wright to fall into the opponent and land on her arm. Fortunately, Wright was not seriously injured and, much to the crowd's delight, continued with her antics after a short rest.

"She (Wright) can turn a ballgame around quickly by herself with rebounding, blocking shots, and running the break," head coach Larry Inman said. "She can jump like a big six-footer but when she gets the ball, she's gone — 'Smokin' Jo'."

Ester Coleman once again led the scoring with 19 points. Forwards Ily Portik and Lisa Justice, a freshman who had another superb performance off the bench, chunked in 12 apiece. Coughlin dropped in 16 points for Eastern.

The win gives Inman's squad a perfect 6-0 mark in the six-game OVC schedule. UT-Martin's Lady Pacers come into Murphy Center Saturday at 5:15 with hopes to break MTSU's present ten-game winning streak.

Middle Tennessee signs lineman from Atlanta

Middle Tennessee has signed Robert Rader, a 5-11, 230 pound lineman from Peachtree High School in Chamblee, Ga. as its 11th football recruit.

A two-year starter at Peachtree, Rader played both offensive and defensive tackle for head coach T.S. McFerrin's squad that posted an 11-1 record last season, dropping only a one-point decision to eventual Georgia state 4-A champion Clark High School.

"Robert is a tremendously strong athlete," McFerrin said. "He bench presses over 400 pounds and was probably the best straight ahead blocker I have ever coached in my 15 years."

second try for a two-point conversion and lost in the second round of the state tournament," McFerrin said. "I feel that with Robert in the line-up we would have won that game and possibly won the state title."

MTSU assistant coach Danny Cronin, who recruited Rader, considered him the finest lineman in Atlanta and one of the best in Georgia.

"Robert is an outstanding offensive lineman and can also play on the defensive side very well," Cronin said. "He comes from an outstanding high school program and will be a very valuable asset to our team."

"Coach McFerrin, who attended MTSU, is an outstanding coach," Cronin added. "We expect Robert to be able to play either offense or defense, depending on where he is needed the most."

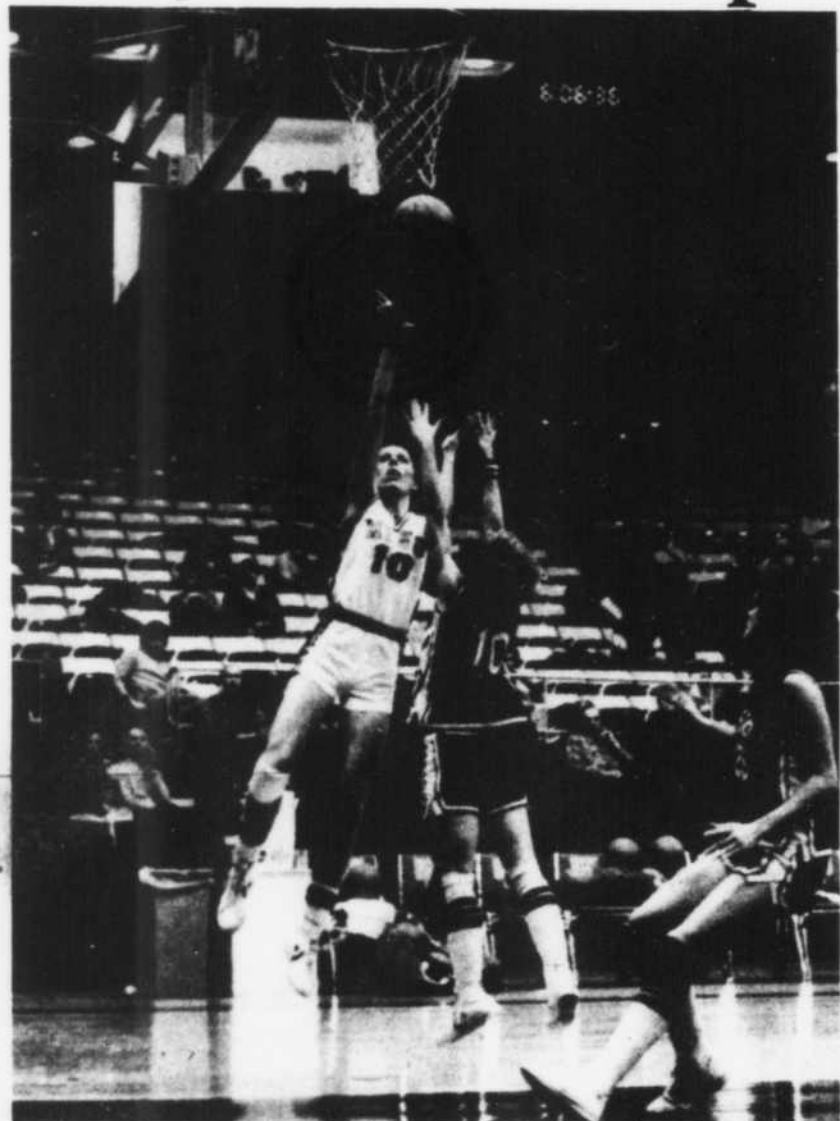


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MTSU's Ileana Portik drops in two of her 12 points in last night's game against Eastern Kentucky. The Lady Raiders won their tenth straight game and their sixth in the OVC without a loss, in the 70-54 win.