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# MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY SIDELINES

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## Student upset over harassment case

SHERI KING and JOHN DEMPSEY

*Special to Sidelines*

"Sexual Harassment Will NOT Be Tolerated On The MTSU Campus," is the bold title of a campus brochure that tells students what to do and where to go if they are being sexually harassed.

But action taken this semester by Forrestine W. Williams, director of Affirmative Action at MTSU, in investigating an unsigned complaint against Ralph Hillman, a professor in the speech and theater department, left one student feeling like her confidentiality had been violated.

The university has since reprimanded Hillman as a result

of the complaint.

"He's keeping his hands off these kids from now on or he's going to be fired, and I've told him that," Ingram informed members of the Student Affairs Committee of

### Sexual Harassment at MTSU Part One of a Four Part Series

the Faculty Senate on Nov. 28, 1989, although Ingram did not use Hillman's name during the meeting.

"In his own view, he does not perceive what happened as sexual harassment," Ingram said. "That's not the issue.

The issue is whether he's making any student in his class uncomfortable."

On Sept. 20, 1989, a female MTSU student complained to Williams that Hillman had subjected her to "unwelcome advances" during a class she was taking from him at that time.

These advances included tossing chalk into her shirt pockets, putting confetti in her hair, whispering in her ear and touching and rubbing up against her, according to a report Williams filed with Ingram on Oct. 31, 1989.

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## Sexual harassment takes variety of forms

JOHN DEMPSEY and SHERI KING

*Special to Sidelines*

What exactly is sexual harassment?

According to the Tennessee Board of Regents it can take many forms. The TBR has defined sexual harassment in its official guidelines "as unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct" that meets at least one of three criteria:

1. "Submission to such conduct" is made a condition of an "individual's status in a program, course or activity;"
2. Submission or rejection of such conduct is used as a basis for decisions that affect an individual; and
3. "Such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or educational experience" or has created "an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment."

TBR guidelines also state that the criteria for judging conduct to be sexually harassing must be based on the "totality of the circumstances," such as the "nature" and

the "context" of an incident.

Sexual harassment was made an unlawful form of discrimination by Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Besides being against the law, any institution of higher learning that does not adequately investigate and remedy claims of sexual harassment may lose federal funding, according to Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972.

Robert Eaker, dean, school of education, said the "key word in the TBR's guideline is unwelcome. He explained that "unwelcome" could be anything that makes an individual "feel uncomfortable." The guidelines outlined a policy that, according to Eaker, was a "rational and fair approach to the problems of sexual harassment at MTSU.

"It is an abuse of power and authority," Rebecca Rice, director of the June Anderson Women's Center, said. "I think students are keenly aware when they get treated in an undignified manner, whatever form that takes. When you subtract from the dignity of someone, they remember

it. Not pleasantly."

"The sexual relationships between men and women, and members of the same sex, offer the opportunity for power. I'm not sure that the passion, the thrill, the motivation has that much to do with sex. There's the conquest and the dynamics of seduction and control in bringing this person from here to there."

The standards for those in higher education are different from those in the general workplace, according to Rice.

"The Supreme Court already decided that a professor must act in a manner above the ordinary man or woman on the street," Rice explains. "And that includes telling dirty jokes and commenting on appearance."

In *Korf v. Ball State (1984)*, the Supreme Court said that a university professor's conduct "is not to be viewed in the same context as would the conduct of an ordinary

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George L. Walker IV • Staff

Lisa Blakey fights to keep her candle lit during Tuesday's tribute to Martin Luther King Jr.

## Students honor King's dream

CHRIS BELL and RUSTY GERBMAN

*News Editor and Assistant News Editor*

As the country celebrates the birthday of Martin Luther King Jr., a group of MTSU students are working to continue his dream of equality for all people.

A campus chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was officially recognized by the university last Friday, Jan. 12. Organization of the chapter began last fall and officers hope to have over 50 members by the end of the semester.

Faculty Advisor Daryl Freeman said the group's goals include improving conditions for minorities at the university.

"We want to improve the political, social and educational status of minority groups and to eliminate any racial prejudice that may exist on campus," Freeman said. "We're trying to work our way out of business."

More than 200 people attended a candlelight service Tuesday evening, co-sponsored by the group, to honor Dr. King.

In another action, in conjunction with the United Student Association, the campus chapter of the NAACP successfully petitioned former president Sam Ingram to take down the statue of Nathan Bedford Forrest featured on

the wall of the Keathley University Center.

Forrest was a famed general in the Civil War and is commonly regarded as one of the founders of the Ku Klux Klan. MTSU's mascot, the Blue Raider, is named for a group Forrest led during the war. His statue has been on the KUC since it was opened during the late 1960s.

"I think that it is a very positive sign of MTSU's commitment to improve the environment of minority students," Freeman said of the action.

Ingram said he felt the concerns of the groups were valid and after talking with ASB President Doug Holder thought the majority of white students would have no objection to the action.

"It's been a matter of concern for a number of years," Ingram said. "It was better for me to do something about it than to leave the problem for someone else. If anyone has any problems with it, I take responsibility."

Celebration of the King holiday continues today from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the lower level of the KUC with a film on Malcolm X presented by Delta Sigma Theta and Omega Psi Phi. A film on Dr. King will be presented in the KUC at the same time tomorrow by Zeta Phi Beta and Kappa Alpha Psi. ■

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In *Korf v. Ball State* (1984), the Supreme Court said that a university professor's conduct "is not to be viewed in the same context as would the conduct of an ordinary person on the street. Rather, it must be judged in the context of the relationship existing between a professor and his students within an academic environment."

The most important word in the term "sexual harassment" was "harassment," according to Rice. Manipulation and humiliation, she said, were both ingredients of harassment, "sexual or otherwise."

The NEA's publication stated that most definitions of sexual harassment were deliberately left open ended, since broad definitions "aid in making faculty members aware of all actions for which they are accountable and at the same time alert students to their rights."

Eaker said that behavior at one time "might be welcome, might not be welcome," at a later time. For instance, Eaker said, while the university does not encourage dating between students and faculty, dating is not covered by current policy. However, according to Eaker, if there was a break-up in a faculty/student relationship, subsequent conduct could be construed to be sexual harassment. ■

# Campus Capsule

*Campus Capsule is an open bulletin board for the entire MTSU community. Submissions must be turned in to Room 310 of the James Union Building and will be printed on the basis of timeliness and space. No Sidelines staff member can insure the publication of any entry. Deadlines are noon Wednesday and Friday for the next issue of the paper.*

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Week will be marked today with a film presentation on Malcolm X in the KUC lower level running from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta and Omega Psi Phi. On Friday, a film presentation on Dr. King will be shown from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., sponsored by Zeta Phi Beta and Kappa Alpha Psi.

Zeta Tau Alpha fraternity presents the 1990 "Zeta Man" calendar on sale now for \$7 each, with all proceeds going to the Association for Retarded Citizens. To get one, see any ZTA member or contact Susan Hayes at 890-2386.

The Blue Knights, MTSU's chess club, meets every Thursday from 6 to 10 p.m. in the KUC, room 316, beginning Jan. 11. Beginners are welcome.

Adult Children of Alcoholics, an Al-Anon family group, will hold support group meetings every Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the KUC, room 315. For more information, contact Thelma Schrader, Box 4084.

Applications for Activity Fee Funds for the spring semester are available in the KUC, room 126. The deadline for completing the forms and having them turned in is Friday, Jan. 26 at 4:30 p.m.

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The Affirmative Action Office's report to Ingram recommended that Hillman should be advised that his communication style in teaching be altered, that touching students was inappropriate and that any retaliatory steps against students should be stopped immediately. The AAO also recommended that the accused be advised that further harassment would result in more serious action.

The report stated, in addition, that as a result of the investigation the student believed Hillman was "retaliating" against her.

"He has indirectly let her know that he believes she is the individual who filed the complaint," Williams alleged in the report.

According to TBR guidelines, there are two types of sexual harassment complaints which can be filed with the AAO. A formal charge requires that "the AAO will make every attempt to get the aggrieved party to provide the charge in writing. The charge shall include the circumstances giving rise to the allegations and the dates of the alleged occurrences. The charges shall be signed by the aggrieved individual."

The second type of charge, an informal complaint, involves reporting the name of the accused harasser to the AAO without the victim's signature on a complaint. In this case, the victim's identity is withheld from the accused.

The student who filed the informal complaint indicated she initially went to the AAO for counseling, not to file charges.

"I had asked the faculty person to stop; that what he did made me feel uncomfortable. He continued the behavior," she said.

At that point, the student went to the AAO to seek guidance in handling the situation. The student, who wished her identity to remain confidential, expressed her unhappiness with the charge-filing process.

"I feel they did not handle it in a professional manner," she said.

"After the first meeting with the AAO they went ahead with actions I had not approved. I only wanted guidance, not a full-blown investigation."

The student went back to the AAO to express her discontent in the handling of the situation and, according to the student, told the AAO that she was never informed of her rights when she first sought counseling.

"Not until after I had said his name did they tell me that they were bound by law to do an investigation," she added. "They did not give me a copy of the policy until the second time I went in."

The student was assured confidentiality by the AAO, but the student said the complaint was reported to Hillman in a way that "the incidences were very particular," which

"made it easy for him to figure out who it was."

The student added that she was "not out to get him, but reported it so that I might help protect other students in the future."

She explained that "even though I disagree with how they carried out procedures in the beginning, I don't want that to lessen that what he did was wrong and deserves a reprimand."

"This kind of thing causes a woman to be afraid. You don't want your peers to think you are overreacting to something that is not there."

According to Williams' report, this was the third complaint in approximately two years that has been lodged against Hillman.

In April 1989, a senior majoring in mass communications made a complaint to Williams that "she had been hugged and kissed on the lips during a scheduled office visit with Dr. Hillman. This student further alleged that during a test in class Dr. Hillman moved her hair and kissed her on the neck, making it difficult for her to take the test. She also indicated that Dr. Hillman made remarks about her body."

Williams stated in the report that during her investigation of Hillman during the spring of 1989, she found "that

all witnesses supported the complainant's credibility."

In 1987, Phyllis Montgomery, then MTSU's Affirmative Action officer, investigated a complaint that alleged Hillman's conduct in class was "offensive," according to the report.

"In Ms. Montgomery's review of the complaint she found that several students indicated that Dr. Hillman's conduct made them feel uncomfortable," Williams stated in her report.

"As a result of this complaint, in September of 1987, Dr. Jim Brooks, Chair of the Speech and Theater Department, had a conference with Dr. Hillman to discuss the complaints," Williams continued. "He explained that a number of students had told their advisors that they were uncomfortable with the touching and hugging that they experienced in his classes."

"Dr. Hillman indicated that this was part of his communication style; however, both parties discussed the fact that no student should be placed in an uncomfortable position and that it was advisable for him to alter his communication style so that no touching and hugging occurred in the future."

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# OPINION

## Is there hope as crunch continues into the 90s?

It's that time of year again.

Once more students from near and far assemble on the hallowed grounds of good ole' Middle Tennessee State. And once again, enrollment is at an all-time high.

The enrollment for this semester was the highest ever for the spring semester and the second highest in MTSU history.

Statistics, however, don't mean much. Anyone can observe the problem firsthand by trying to find a parking space five minutes before an eight o'clock class. You can expect to have better luck trying to get an available class card for an English class during the last hour of registration.

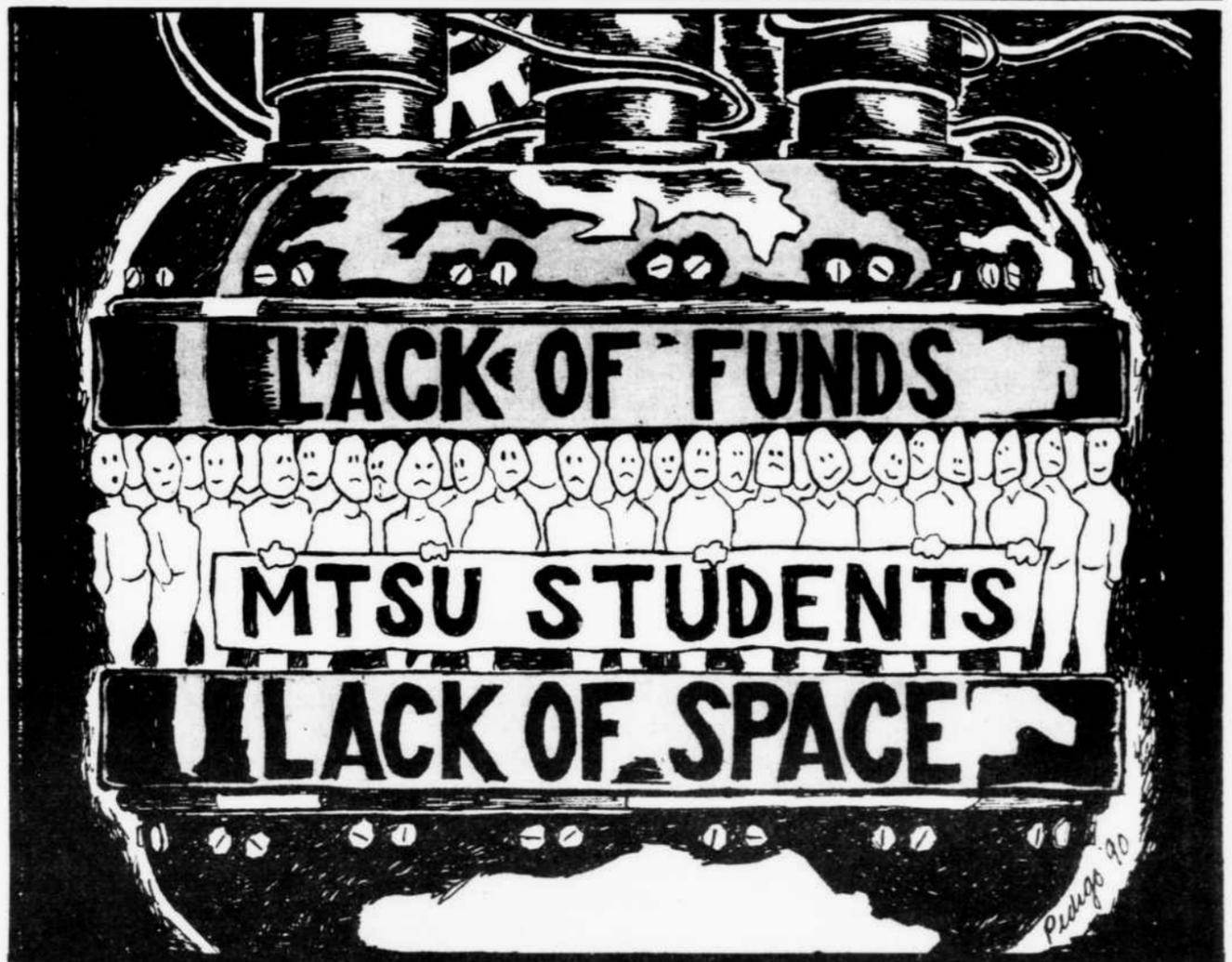
Sadly, the parking situation is not our only problem. There is an extreme lack of office and classroom space. There are not enough post office boxes, either. Our library is hopelessly understocked.

Recognition of our growth and the willingness to take the steps to alleviate the cramped conditions of our campus are needed soon.

The construction of the mass comm building, the expansion of Jones Hall and the upcoming changes in our registration process are steps in the right direction, but let's not pat ourselves on the back too soon.

Take a look around.

The time for MTSU to creep out from the dark ages and prepare for the 21st century is now.



## Cat in the Hat zipcode T's latest fad

Mike Reed  
Reed My Lips

The 80s are gone. No use looking back because they are outta here.

We are entering the first year of the decade with a new hope for democracy and a new hope that Bob Hope won't see another birthday.

As always, my New Year's resolution was to keep my eyes open for as long as possible without blinking. I made it for 35 seconds, which is longer than many of your resolutions last, I bet.

Last week I made my semi-annual tour of the bookstores around Nashville. I do this every so often to find out which obscure Elvis relative is trying to cash in on their unique relationship with the King or to see which Mack Bolan novels I've missed since my last trip.

I was down on 2nd Avenue at the Bookworld when I ran across something that startled me. It was not a book.

Among the various and sundry stationery and postcards located in this bookstore, were T-shirts. These T-shirts were not your run-of-the-mill "Ollie North for President" T-shirts. These cotton monstrosities had zip codes on them.

My first thought at this revelation was that it was some kind of promotional gimmick for the Post Office. I mean, they are always hounding us to use that plus four method of addressing our mail. In truth, it is because the Post Office wants to make our zip codes longer than our phone numbers. It seems that the two companies have a big rivalry going over which of them can screw up our lives the quickest.

Then I realized the true purpose of these stupid things was to identify us as to which area we live in. As a matter of fact, the only zip codes available were for Belle Meade and Brentwood. I blame Catherine Darnell.

I do not know how many of you are familiar with *Tennesseean* columnist Catherine Darnell, (to be quite honest I don't read her very often myself). I am afraid, however,

that these T-shirts are her contribution to the Orwellian-like existence of our culture.

Many of my more liberal friends have posed the notion that our social security numbers will one day be used solely for identification purposes and not for sucking our money away never to be seen again. I laugh at this, I scoff.

You see, because thanks to the efforts of stuck-up, runny-nosed, boot-licking person like Catherine Darnell, we are going to be identified by a five digit number given to us by the *Post Office*.

Oh sure, you can laugh now, because you know that this system has way too many flaws to be effective. But, just wait. Soon everyone will have T-shirts with their zip codes on them.

People with 37130 will look down upon the ones with 37132 who will look down upon the 37160s who have no choice but to scoff at the poor souls who have "General Delivery," written in big black letters on their orange jumpsuits.

My real fear is that some jerk will wear the wrong T-shirt on purpose. He'll wine and dine at the fanciest restaurants while his *honest* brethren-in-arms will be grabbing Krystal ten-baggers with the rest of us. What would the penalty be if someone got caught wearing the wrong zip code? I vote for a year's worth of "personal correspondence" from Ed McMahon.

These are harsh times, my siblings.

This whole thing is like that Dr. Seuss story about the critters with the stars on their bellies looking down on the critters with no stars on their bellies. In case you were deprived as a child, it ends with some man taking all their money away and everyone living happily ever after.

People of America, I don't want Catherine Darnell to take all my money away. I say it's nobody's business what zip code you live in. You only look like a geek wearing it on your shirt.

If I hear of anyone *moving* to another part of the city just to appear in Darnell's column under the right zip code, I will personally hunt you down and ridicule you in a fashion that will make you move to 37034. ■

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Letters to the Editor

Levi claims prayer was misinterpreted

To the Editor:

Mr. Bren Martin, I am offended by your accusation of what I hold valid. As a matter of record, I voted for a motion to discontinue the invocation at graduation because it does offend some in the convocation.

Secondly, when you write an article get your facts straight. What I prayed was: "in the name of my savior Jesus Christ." I only know one way to pray.

The community refused to eliminate the invocation. The administration asked me to do the invocation; I merely stated in my prayer the only person through whom I communicate to the Deity. Anyone asked to give the invocation has the same right without regard to the label of their faith.

Lester W. Levi  
Box 249

Student praises quality of newspaper

To the Editor:

Your January 11, 1990, issue was definitely one of the best issues I've seen in a long time. Part of the reason was the clean production job that Ken Merlin, production manager, and his paste-up workers did on that issue. I hope that this quality is maintained throughout the semester and becomes a precedent for *Sidelines*.

It also surprises me that with as many graphic/commercial art majors we have at MTSU that there is probably not even one working with Ken. My advice to any graphic art major is to get to *Sidelines* as fast as you can because it is some of the best experience available to you right here on the lovely MTSU campus. Once again, Ken, I'm really impressed. Not bad for a RIM major!

Deirdre Davis, former Production Manager of *Sidelines* and paste-up artist for *The Tennessean* and *Nashville Banner*  
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Writer amazed by 'hypocrisy'

To the Editor:

Hypocrisy never ceases to amaze me. The January 11 issue of *Sidelines* included a letter from Jonathan Lampley concerning racism and prejudice in general. Lampley made several good points, but I find it ironic that someone so concerned with "the pride of the human race" could be so sexist. His use of exclusive words such as "sirs" and "gentlemen" is sexist and unnecessary. Also, the phrase "women's history" is a paradox, considering that the word "history" is a conglomerate of "his + story."

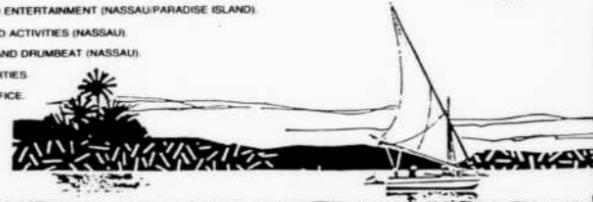
I am not trying to insult Lampley in any way, I am simply trying to raise the level of awareness at this "equal opportunity, non—racially identifiable educational institution which does not discriminate against the handicapped."

David Katz  
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Williams said in her report that when she met with Hillman on Sept. 28, 1989, "He stated that each new class is informed initially to notify him if there are problems with his communication style and that he had not, in fact, been notified of any problem. He also indicated that he probably knew who the complainant was and that several students had approached him concerning my investigation.

"Based on the alleged types of touching, it is very difficult to understand how the conduct in any way relates to course content," Williams stated.

"Dr. Hillman has been advised of the complaints about his communication style on two prior occasions, and on both these occasions the institution requested that he stop touching students," she continued. "Since we are still receiving complaints, it is imperative that more serious steps be taken in order to curtail the harassment. I, therefore, recommend:

1. Dr. Hillman should be advised that his communication style be altered; touching students is inappropriate. In addition, any retaliatory action which he is taking against students he believes complained to the MTSU administration must be stopped immediately.

2. A letter of reprimand should be included in Dr. Hillman's personnel file. The reprimand should (a) direct Dr. Hillman to stop any type of harassment, including retaliation; and (b) advise him that future complaints will result in more serious action.

3. Dr. Hillman should be advised that if he does not accept the recommendations, he has the right to either an institutional hearing or a hearing under the Tennessee Uniform Administrative Procedures Act."

"I'm being accused in this instance of tossing chalk in a person's pocket — which I did — and whispering to someone in the front row and giving someone a hug, all of which I did," Hillman said in a Nov. 30, 1989 interview in his office.

He also said that he did hug and kiss the girl who made the complaint in April.

"Those [instances] are all very real," he said. "As I recall, she had just finished her oral final and she was delighted."

The student came to his office "and gave me a big hug," according to the instructor. "Realistically, until recently I didn't know I had a problem with her," Hillman said, adding that his relationship with the girl had been characterized by joking and laughing.

"Had I known, I would not have bothered her like that." Hillman said he had a problem with the way the matter was handled. When he first was informed of the charges, he said that he was not given any of the details surrounding the complaint.

"I cannot confront my accuser," Hillman said. "I was not given the specifics of the instances I was being charged with."

Hillman confirmed that he received a letter of reprimand, although he maintained that the letter failed to detail the specific accusations. Hillman declined to produce the letter, and Williams refused to comment on it.

The professor said his sternest warning came from the university president, who told Hillman he would be fired if he continued to touch students.

"They're [the Affirmative Action officer] after my job," Hillman said. "That's what the president told me."

"I was not given any report or specifics when the president talked to me," he maintained.

Hillman said that he did not like Ingram's response to the investigation by Williams.

"He is the one to whom Forrestine [Williams] must report," Hillman specified. "He just bows to whatever Forrestine suggests."

Hillman also said the university's policy for investigating sexual harassment complaints doesn't "tell you what happens" but is, instead, an "open, blank check."

Nevertheless, the policy and the warning from the president have resulted in a change of methods for the professor. Hillman said that he no longer touches students.

"I've been a toucher, a hugger," he said. "I no longer do that."

The professor explained why he had not changed his communication style after the previous warnings. "There are those of us who need support — lots of it," he said.

"I can remember back in my undergrad days, back when someone still gave a damn, when someone actually sat and talked to me — and held my hand if I needed it," Hillman recalled. "I guess that's a model of who I wanted to be."

Hillman said he now realizes this behavior is "not appropriate for our campus. You are not to hug or touch anyone."

"What I have to try to do is moderate my behavior drastically," he added. "If I can, I'll be here and teach. If I can't, I'll pack my bags and go." ■



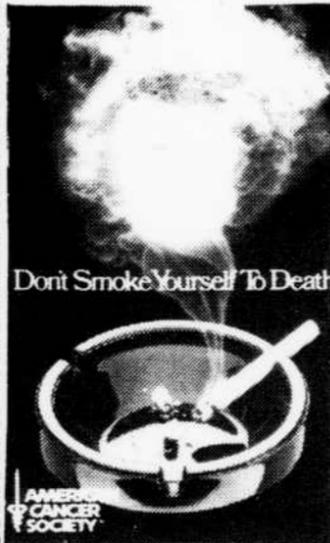
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# FEATURES

## ROTC hosts Warsaw Pact arms demonstration

**JOHN MOSELEY**  
Staff Writer

Members of Fort Campbell's 101st Airborne weapons intelligence group gathered at Forrest Hall Tuesday and Wednesday to conduct an exhibit of Soviet and Communist block weapon systems.

The group discussed weapons such as the AK-47, the RPG (rocket propelled grenade launcher), and the new AK-74, which uses one of the smallest caliber rounds for automatic rifles.

According to Capt. John D. McPeak, officer in charge, these Warsaw Pact weapons are more reliable and durable than their

American counterparts but do not offer the accuracy of American weapon systems.

"All Warsaw Pact countries make these weapons and they are widespread throughout the world," McPeak explained. "Needless to say, these are the weapons of choice for terrorists due to their availability.

"Some of these weapons were found in Panama from the recent ordeal with [Gen. Manuel] Noriega; a great deal of these weapons are distributed from Cuba to various Latin and Central American countries."

The weapons crew at Fort Campbell specializes in training Army soldiers to become familiar with and use such weapons. ■



Sandra Rennie•Staff

Specialist Joel Laskey gives students in an ROTC class a first-hand look at the workings of a Soviet FPK sniper rifle. The presentation was sponsored by ROTC for first and second year ROTC students.



Sandra Rennie•Staff

First lieutenant Bill Myers explains the features of the deadly AK-47 Chinese bayonet rifle. The weapon has been declared illegal by the Geneva Convention because the rifle inflicts "inhuman wounds."

## Cruise shines; Spielberg delights

**BRIAN WILLIAMS**  
Staff Writer

Tom Cruise's ship may have definitely come in. Although this ship delivers one knockout punch after another and wears you down during the stretch, *Born on the Fourth of July* is Cruise's best work in his entire acting career.

In a major turnaround from playing the charming hunk in his other films, Cruise changes his clean-cut image for a more ragged appearance and still comes out shining bright as the star that he is.

*July* is based on the life of Ron Kovic, a decorated Marine Vietnam veteran paralyzed from the war. The film first examines his life through his childhood and high school years. The movie then shifts to a graphic depiction of his anguish in Vietnam and the brutal treatment he receives at the veteran's hospital. It concludes with his work as an anti-war activist.

Cruise is explosive as Kovic, and director Oliver Stone (*Platoon*, *Wall Street*, and *Talk Radio*) is definitely pushing the right button to hit you with overwhelming force throughout its two and a half hour stretch.

This is Cruise's best shot yet for the Best Actor Oscar — if he doesn't get it, he may never have a chance like this again. Not too many movies match Cruise's looks and demonstrate such unforeseen talent as in his gripping per-

fomance as Kovic. This is one movie born on outstanding acting, writing, and direction ★★★★★

*Born on the Fourth of July* is now showing at the Carmike 6 located at Jackson Heights Square.

For *Always*, director Steven Spielberg must have been thinking about the famed Atlantic Starr song. Or maybe he saw *A Guy Named Joe*, which this movie is based on, and loved it to death. No matter what the reason is, his magical touch has not gone away, even after a third Indiana Jones film and a second trip through time within the span of seven months.

Richard Dreyfuss and Holly Hunter are a definite match for their parts. Dreyfuss plays a forest firefighter pilot who dies and comes back to bring inspiration to another young pilot (Brad Johnson). Hunter is a high-strung air controller who falls for Dreyfuss and eventually falls for Johnson. John Goodman brings forth his usual good humor as Dreyfuss and Hunter's friend.

Although this movie is more of an *adultish* nature for Spielberg after years of seeing him broaden the imagination, *Always* carries the familiar traits of warmth, charm, drama and excitement that he brings to all his movies.

The leads of Dreyfuss, Hunter, Johnson, and Goodman

## Room dedication set

**RUSTY GERBMAN**  
Assistant News Editor

The William T. Windham Seminar Room will be officially dedicated with a ceremony at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21 in the Tennessee Room of the James Union Building.

A reception will follow in the Windham Seminar Room, Peck Hall 222. The public is invited to both the dedication and the reception.

The dedication ceremonies will consist of a music presentation by Dr. Lee Sikes, professor of history; Becky Windham, daughter of Windham; and the Great American Singalong group. Testimonials will be given by Dr. Bart McCash, acting chairman of the history department; Dr. Robert E. Corlew, Vice president of academic affairs; and Dr. Sam Ingram, former president of MTSU. Dr. John McDaniel, dean of liberal arts, will unveil the plaque which will be placed outside the Windham Seminar Room.

Windam, who served as chairman of the History Department from 1978 through the summer of 1989, came to MTSU in 1955 as an assistant professor. A graduate of the Illinois Institute of Technology, he received his master's and doctorate from the University of Alabama. He taught at Virginia Polytechnic Institute before coming to MTSU. ■

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— along with a brief appearance by Audrey Hepburn — all work in this innocent tale, but you should always expect good work from Steve. ★★★

*Always* is now showing at the Cinema Twin located on S. Tennessee Blvd. across from Kroger.

Other movies showing in Murfreesboro:

*National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation* — Chevy Chase stars in the third installment of the *Vacation* series with the accident-prone family, The Griswolds, celebrating the holidays. I know the holidays are over but this is a 360 degree turnaround from *European Vacation* and it is definitely for Chevy Chase fans. ★★★ (Cinema Twin)

*The Little Mermaid* — Walt Disney's hip remake of the Hans Christian Anderson story of a mermaid named Ariel and her pursuit for the love of Prince Eric. Let's face facts, its a treat from start to fin. ★★★★★ (Cinema Twin)

*Look Who's Talking* — John Travolta, Kirstie Alley, and Bruce Willis' voice star in this cute comedy about the adventures of a baby in pursuit of a daddy. I know, this movie has been out for four months and has made over \$100 million dollars, but Willis does say a mouthful. ★★★ (Carmike 6)

*Tango and Cash* — Sylvester Stallone and Kurt Russell star in this buddy comedy of two rival LA cops who must work together to capture a mob leader who set them up. All I have to say is that last year I personally enjoyed *Lethal Weapon II*, but seeing this movie will make you run to the ticket booth and ask for your money back. ★ (Carmike 6)

*Back To The Future Part II* — Michael J. Fox and Christopher Lloyd return back (and forth) through time. Although with its complex plot and the magical touch of the original gone away, it stays on familiar ground with good fun. ★★★ (Carmike 6)

*Harlem Nights* — Eddie Murphy and Richard Pryor star in this 1930's comedy-drama of a night club in Harlem being harassed by mobsters. This is a mean piece of work, despite an overdoing by Murphy being writer, director, star, and executive producer. ★★ (Carmike 6)

*Steel Magnolias* — Sally Field, Olympia Dukakis, Shirley MacLaine, Dolly Parton, Julia Roberts, and Daryl Hannah blossom their talent all over the screen in the endearing drama of the lives of six Louisiana women and their friendship. ★★★★★ (Carmike 6) ■

# MTSU music group to perform tonight

KIMBERLY DORRIS

Features Editor

The Stones River Chamber Players will perform their second concert of the 1989-90 season tonight at 8 p.m. at Music Hall in the Wright Music Building.

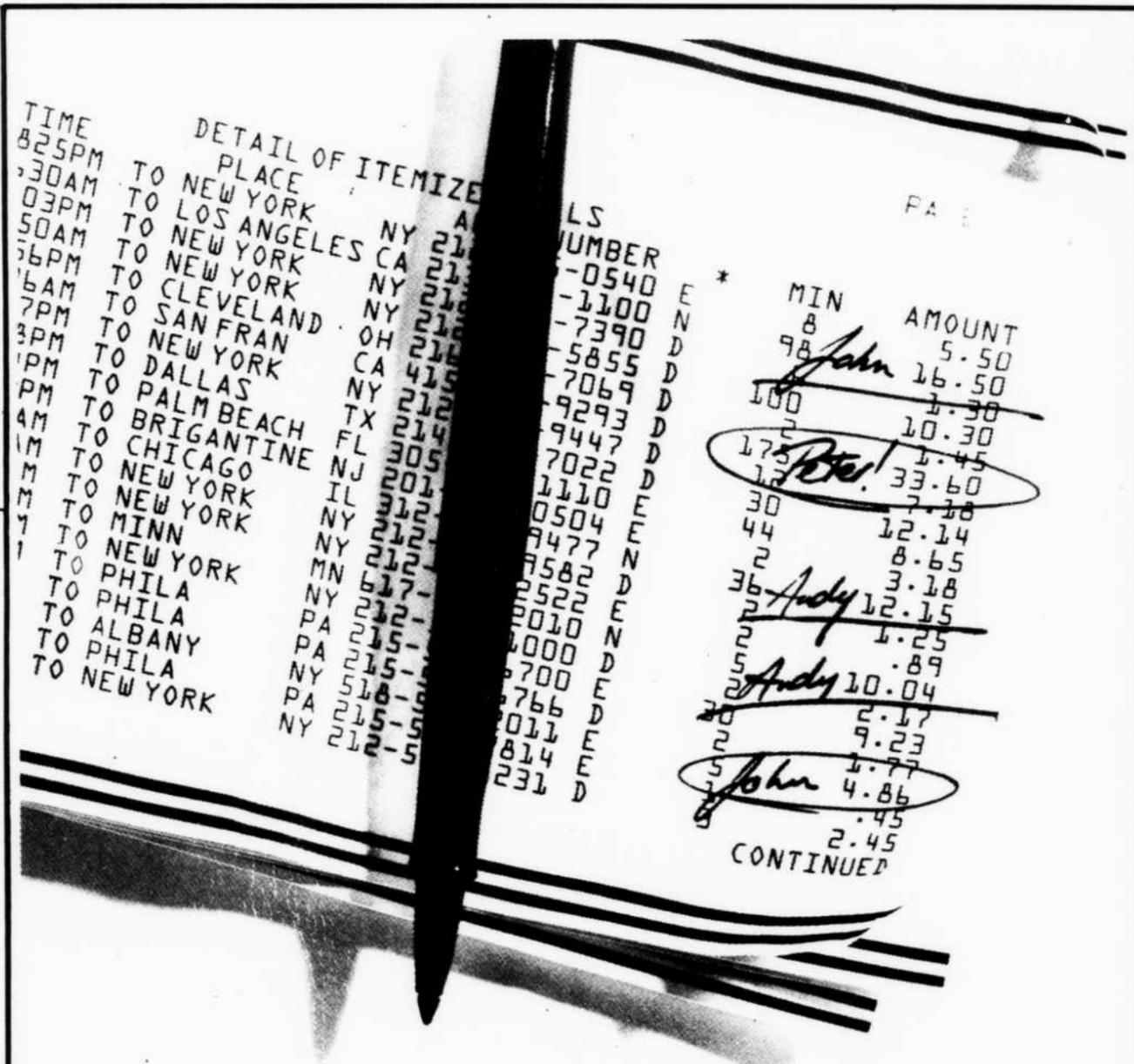
The program features Ludwig Van Beethoven's Sonata in F Major, Opus 24, Four Dialogues for Euphonium and Marimba by Samuel Adler, and Trio for Piano, Oboe, and Bassoon by Francis Poulenc.

Guest vocalist Cynthia Perkins will also join the group for a selection of songs by Stephen Foster.

The Stones River Chamber Players is composed primarily of MTSU faculty from the music department. The group eventually hopes to branch out to doing off-campus performances.

"We're trying to add a new dimension to the music program," explains managing director Dewayne Pigg. "We saw a need to promote performance."

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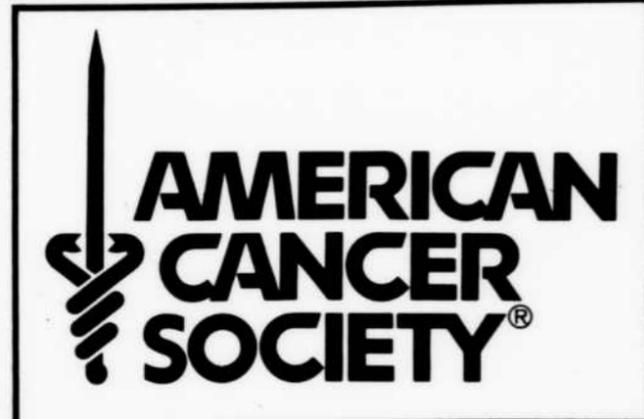
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# SPORTS

## 'Jeckyll and Hyde' Lady Raiders 'brick' chance for weekend sweep; lose first ever to Tennessee State

### Lady Raiders win two of three over weekend, still winless in OVC action

DAVID LEE GREGOR

Sports Editor

Just when you thought it was safe to go back to the gymnasium for a good basketball game, just when you thought the Lady Raiders might pull out of their slump and start playing like the Lady Raiders of old, along comes JAWS 10! That's 'Jaws' for the Lady Raiders snatching defeat from the jaws of victory against Tennessee State Monday night, and 10 for the number of losses they now have on the season.

While the MTSU Lady Raiders won two of three over the holiday weekend and brought a seven-game losing skid, the longest in school history, to a halt, they lost the one they needed to win.

MTSU ended a seven-game drought Friday night with a 79-64 victory over South Florida in the first-ever meeting between the two schools. Freshman guard Kristi Brown hit an eye-popping six three-pointers and led the Lady Raiders in scoring, while senior guard Christy Scruggs hauled down a career-high 11 rebounds.

On Saturday night, the Lady Raiders demolished North Carolina-Asheville for the second straight year, 90-61. Junior forward Stephanie Capley and freshman guard Julie Morrison combined for 44 points. Behind Capley and junior forward Pippa Gipson, who combined for 17 rebounds, the Lady Raiders also dominated the boards.

Having cruised past USF and UNCA, it looked as if the Lady Raiders would roll over the Tennessee State Lady Tigers without missing a beat. After all, the Lady Raiders had beaten hapless TSU in 14 previous meetings by an

average of 21.5 points. Instead of falling on the Tigers with a vengeance, however, the Lady Raiders fell on their face.

The Lady Raiders, looking for their first OVC win of the season, were stung by TSU 77-74. The game marked the first OVC victory ever for Tennessee State.

MTSU, having pulled down 89 rebounds in the USF and UNCA games, was held to just 29 in the TSU game. The Raiders came into the game second in OVC free throw shooting percentage (71 percent). Against TSU they shot a miserable 17 of 32 for 53 percent.

The Lady Raiders hurt themselves badly in the second half of the contest, hitting on only 11 of 23 free throws, and dropped dead at the line in the final minutes of the game.

Trailing 62-53 with 8:22 left in the contest, the Raiders staged a 12-4 run to cut the lead to one with only 3:43 remaining. TSU sent MTSU to the line six times down the stretch, but the Lady Raiders managed to hit on only 5 of 12 shots.

"I don't fault my kids on effort," said Raider Head Coach Lewis Bivens. "They played hard. They did a good job of getting the ball to Stephanie and Pippa. We just missed the free throws. Any time you can't make the free throws, you're going to lose the game."

"We're playing Jeckyll and Hyde from one game to the next. We'll get better. We're going to just go out there and keep on chugging."

Junior forward Stephanie Capley led the Lady Raiders over the weekend with 56 points. Gipson added 37, and freshman guard Julie Morrison contributed 33 points. ■



Jennifer D. West • Staff

#### Hail Capley!

MTSU forward Stephanie Capley (42) tosses in a shot from outside over Tennessee State's Ann Thomas (45) as Raider center Becky Hall (40) blocks out inside. Capley led the Lady Raiders in scoring with 19 points on the evening. TSU defeated the Lady Raiders, 77-74.

## MTSU freshman duo has high hopes, bright future

TONY J. ARNOLD

Staff Writer

MTSU has seen several superstars come and go over the past years. They all started young and improved with age and experience. This season has seen the emergence of two potential superstars. Although young and inexperienced, they are playing an important role for MTSU Head Coach Bruce Stewart. These two talented athletes are Robert "Cat Eye" Taylor and David Clark.

Both hail from the Memphis area. Taylor prepped at Hamilton high school, while Clark attended Whitehaven. Stewart and his staff noticed them and set out to bring them to Murfreesboro. Having successfully recruited the two, Middle may have secured the most talented freshman class in the school's history.

Taylor posted very impressive statistics his senior season in high school: 31 points, six rebounds and three treys per game. It was enough to get him listed in *Basketball Weekly's* top 65 prospects: a listing of the nation's top high school seniors.

Clark averaged 11 points and 10 rebounds his senior year. He finished the season strong and is the type of player that is capable of improving each day.

MTSU was actually not Taylor's original

choice. "I was going to go to Maryland," said Taylor. "They had problems, their coach left, and when the time came to sign, MTSU was next on my list."

Clark, on the other hand, knew MTSU was the place for him. "I wasn't heavily recruited," said Clark. "Middle was the first team to recruit me. I didn't waste any time and came to MTSU."

"Robert Taylor is as versatile as any athlete we've had," said Stewart. "He will only continue to improve in time."

"[David] can catch, pass, and shoot extremely well," added Stewart, comparing Clark's skills to those of ex-Raider Randy Henry.

The two met and played against each other in high school, where their teams were arch-rivals. "We always won," said Taylor.

"Nobody could stop him," agreed Clark, commenting on his roommate's play in high school.

The two are now an intricate part of the Blue Raider scheme. Both are seeing plenty of action, and are producing well enough to hold starting positions. Taylor leads the team in scoring with a 13.3 average. Clark is currently on a hot streak. He is averaging 3.5 points and is pulling down 2.5 rebounds per game. When asked if they were surprised



Sandra Rennie • Staff

MTSU freshmen Robert "Cat Eye" Taylor, left, and David Clark, right, are not only teammates, but roommates as well. The two start for the MTSU basketball team.

the playing time they were receiving, they differed in comment.

"I'm not surprised by my playing time," said Taylor. "I came here because I could play my freshman year."

"I am surprised by my playing time," said Clark. "Coach [Stewart] tells me that I'm getting more time than Randy Henry did his freshman year. That is motivating because he was so good. It makes me feel good to be compared to him."

The transition from high school to college

basketball was "a harder transition than I once thought" said Taylor. For Clark "the workouts are longer and harder than high school, but there was so much competition in Memphis that it's not much different here."

Taylor is not only Clark's teammate and roommate, but is reunited with Raider guard Malandrick Webb, whom he started playing with in junior high school. He also received

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his nickname "Cat Eye" in junior high.

MTSU is currently in the battle to retain its OVC crown, and Taylor and Clark have set their goals

"I want to keep my starting position, and keep my grades up, which comes first," said Clark. "My goal is to be the newcomer of the year," said Taylor.

Before their eligibility is up, each wants his name in the record books. "I want the all-time scoring record," said Taylor.

Clark on the other hand, looks up to Quincy Vance, who he calls "the dunker of the team," and wants "the record for most dunks" before he leaves.

Both Clark and Taylor agree that Coach Stewart and the success he has brought to the program was part of the reason they came here. Both look up to and respect their other teammates.

"Gerald [Harris] and Kevin [Wallace] are the leaders of the team," said Clark. "They're

always there to help me out."

"Gerald is good to me on and off the court," said Taylor. "If I have a bad game he'll come to my room and help me out."

Both Clark and Taylor dream of earning a chance to play in the NBA. Each would be happy to go to any NBA club.

If he had the choice, Taylor would prefer to play for the Los Angeles Lakers because "Magic [Johnson] is my favorite player."

Clark would like to get on with an expansion team so that he could play more. "I like [Michael] Jordan, Dominique [Wilkins] and David Robinson because they're the dunkers."

Everyone has dreams. If one works hard enough, those dreams will become a reality. For Taylor and Clark, the road appears bright with opportunities for school records and championships, and perhaps even a chance to play professional basketball.

Whether or not these dreams come true is entirely up to them, and only time will tell how good they can be. ■

MTSU hosts Murray State

DAVID LEE GREGOR

Sports Editor

The MTSU Blue Raiders and Lady Raiders return to OVC play Saturday night against Murray State. Both are 0-2 in OVC action and will be looking for their first conference win of the season.

The Lady Raiders have gone 0-2 only twice previously: during the 1986-87 and 1977-78 seasons. They have never gone 0-3.

The last time the men lost their first two OVC contests was the 1972-73 season, when the Raiders opened 0-5 in OVC action. The Raiders finished 12-13 overall that season.

The Lady Racers of Murray State enter the game with an 8-6 record, and have won four of their last five games. Murray was upset Monday evening by

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Raiders crushed by suspensions

TONY J. ARNOLD

Staff Writer

Fresh off of a 84-75 victory over an excellent Louisiana Tech team, Middle Tennessee appeared ready for Monday evening's OVC meeting with the Tennessee State Tiger. Not a single ball was bounced nor a whistle blown at TSU Gentry Center however, and the Tigers prevailed by a 0 score. In fact, the Blue Raiders never even showed up.

The Blue Raiders forfeited Monday's game. As a result of severe suspensions handed down by OVC Commissioner Dan Beebe for MTSU's involvement in the MTSU-Tennessee Tech brawl of January 8th, the Raiders lacked the necessary amount of players for Monday night's game.

Friday evening, Beebe suspended eight Blue Raiders for a total of 22 games, while suspending six Tech players for 11 games as punishment for their involvement in the two-minute, bench-clearing brawl.

The Raiders lost Mike Buck, Chris Ingram and Titus Jackson for four games each. Kevin Wallace received a three game suspension. Robert Taylor, Malandrick Webb and Quincy Vance got two games. David Clark was handed a one-game suspension. MTSU coach Bruce Stewart also received a reprimand.

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Wallace, Vance, and Clark have already served one game of their suspensions, leaving Stewart with only five available players.

"I will be the first to admit that suspensions and reprimands are deserving," said Raider Head Coach Bruce Stewart of Beebe's ruling. "The Commissioner has made his decision. We will take our medicine and live with the decision he has made.

"He made the law and we will abide by the law. However, my personal opinion is that the penalties were too severe."

The commissioner did account for the fact that MTSU would have no bench, and offered MTSU the option of postponing the suspensions of Vance, Taylor and Webb until the other players had served their suspensions. The Raiders however, declined the offer.

"We will exercise the option to set out all of our players at one time and return our team as a whole unit as soon as possible," said Stewart. "We will not drag out the suspensions over a large number of games."

To complicate the Raiders' problems further, two of MTSU's five remaining players suffered disabling injuries. Senior guard Gerald Harris suffered a back injury and freshman guard Kevin Snell sprained an ankle in Saturday's practice.

"We will not be prepared to field a team of five players against TSU and, of the five, only three are healthy," Stewart said, referring to the injuries. "I will not play an injured player and risk the harm to hurt him any further."

"I'm disappointed," said Beebe of Stewart's decision. "I put stipulations in the penalties so they could avoid forfeiture. I guess they chose not to avail themselves with that possibility."

"Our team has been decimated and our ability to compete for the OVC championship has been irreparably damaged," countered Stewart. "Just when our young basketball team was really on the verge of growing and improving, we were dealt a devastating blow."

Tennessee State head coach Ron Abernathy seemed upset with the victory. "I don't want anyone thinking they gave us anything," said Abernathy. "We've had adversity all year long but we've kept on playing. If it were us, we would be there."

Not playing the game will cost TSU between \$20,000 and \$30,000. TSU officials are expected to meet with MTSU officials to ask for financial compensation or perhaps request that the February 24th MTSU-TSU game, scheduled to be played at MTSU, be moved to TSU.

"I think we need to let this pass," said Harris, "let it get behind us, and once we get our whole team back together, we'll deal with it from there. We're a young team. We're going through a lot of adversity. Once we get past all of this I think we will be a lot better."

The forfeit marked the first in OVC and MTSU history. It dropped the Raiders to 5-9 and 0-2 in conference play.

"It's only fitting that Monday be Martin Luther King's holiday. And in the words of the immortal Dr. King, I will say: MTSU shall overcome." ■

## Lady Raiders 'back on track' Saturday

DAVID LEE GREGOR  
Sports Editor

The undefeated Lady Raiders return to the track Saturday in a six-way meet against Memphis State, Alabama-Birmingham, UT-Chattanooga, Vanderbilt, and Western Kentucky.

One of the most exciting events of the day will be the mile run, which will feature five of the meet's top athletes.

Vanderbilt's top distance runner, Beth Tallent, recently named Tennessee's high school athlete of the 1980s, will run both the mile and 3000-meter.

Raider Coach Dean Hayes plans to send Sharon Smith, Karen Barnes and Kaiva Thomas against Tallent. Smith is

the current school record holder in the mile, and was the record holder in the 3000-meter before Thomas claimed the title for herself. Thomas placed fourth in the fall OVC cross country championship.

Western Kentucky's Meiaread Looney, a five-minute miler, returns to Murphy Center, where she won the mile in a December meet against MTSU in a time of 5:06.9.

Rounding out the roster for MTSU will be Michelle Welch in the 55-meter, 200-meter, mile relay and long jump; freshman sensation Koko Rowley in the 55-meter high hurdles, long jump and high jump; Krista Hare in the high jump and triple jump; Kyieta Beason in the triple and long jump; Veronica Tipton in the high jump; Leigh Weathers in the 800-meter and mile relay; Linda Brewer in the 400-meter and mile relay; Elissa Davis in the mile relay and Jennene Cody in the 55-meter and 200-meter.

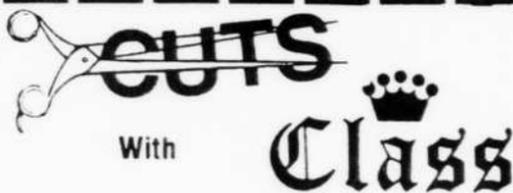
The meet will begin at high noon in MTSU's Murphy Center. ■

**MURRAY** from page 10

Eastern Kentucky and is 1-1 in OVC play.

The men's game will feature a Murray State squad tied with Tennessee Tech for the conference lead. The Racers are led by Thomas Jerome "Popeye" Jones, a towering mass of humanity at 6-8 and 270 pounds. Jones averages 19.4 points and 11.4 rebounds per game.

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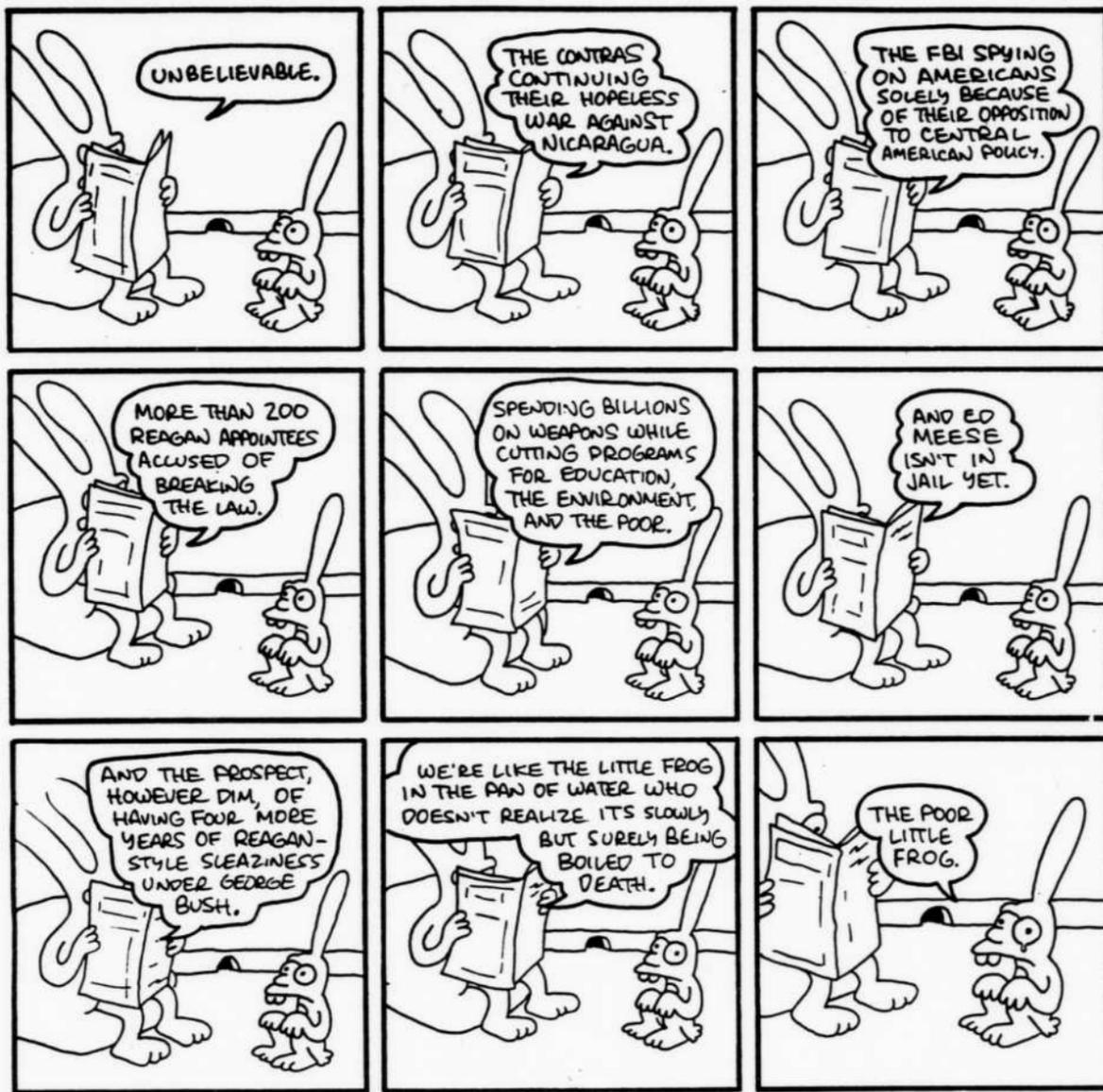
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