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Majority of rapists know victim

By JUNE-ELLEN SCHLIMMER
Sidelines Staff Writer

[Editor's note: the italicized portion of this story was taken from a letter given to Sidelines by a female MTSU student. Her name is being withheld but her story is true. She felt it was important to warn others about what happened to her.]

Even in the name of fun — it can happen to you. It almost happened to me.

Date rape is sexual assault against a woman that is committed by someone the victim knows.

Almost all rape victims know their assailant, Rebecca Rice, director of the Women's Information and Referral Center, said.

I still believe I was justified in my quest for a good time. It is just finally obvious that my definition of a "good time" needs a little polishing.

After two weeks of consecutive studying, my two best friends and I went out to "play."

We didn't do anything out of the ordinary.

A woman should project total independence on the first date, Rice said.

"It would be a good idea for a

woman to provide her own transportation, especially on the first date," Rice said. "I might even take it a step further and pay for my own meal. This is important because socialization doesn't mean dependence."

We went to Trotter's for a couple of drinks around eleven o'clock. As

With the dual narrative construction another message can be gained from it: We never truly grow up we, only learn more about the world than perhaps we ever cared to know.

usual, I initiated a conversation with some guys. Almost immediately our tables consolidated. It's extremely easy to make "friends" after a couple of drinks.

After Trotter's closed a few of us die-hards ended up at The Boro. Both of my friends had gotten rides home with someone. Yet, I remained

I am not trying to blame this incident on anything other than my own stupidity for staying out so late, and my over-trusting nature.

One element of date rape is living away from home and in larger cities, said Rice.

"We're going out with people we didn't grow up with," Rice said. "We're fooling ourselves into believing we know people. I think we

need to realize that we associate intimately with people we don't really know.

After about an hour and a half at the Boro I informed my new "friend" that I had to go home.

I told him I would walk since my dorm was pretty close. He said not to worry about it, that he could take me home. I had been talking to him for quite a while and thought he seemed like a nice enough guy.

After all we didn't have very far to drive . . .

Date rape could be a cultural problem, Rice said.

"We're raising women who don't assert questions," Rice said. "If a man asks a woman out to dinner, rather than the woman saying 'yes' right away, she should ask where

they will be going.

"Most women today will just go along rather than voicing their preference for a specific movie or restaurant for instance."

We walked out to his car, he opened the door for me (with a little difficulty), and I got in.

As we approached a red light I said, "You turn left here to get to my dorm."

He drove straight on.

"Where are you going?" I asked. "My dorm is just right back there."

He started screaming at me for not telling him to turn before he passed the turn-off. I defended myself and asked him to turn around. He continued shouting profanities, calling me names and informed me

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BACCHUS plans awareness week

By CARLTON WINFREY
Sidelines Editorial Editor

MTSU's chapter of Boost Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students has planned what David Hays, the Associate Dean of Men, called a week of activities to inform students of "the potential that alcohol has."

BACCHUS will begin observing National Alcohol Awareness Week October 27-31 on campuses throughout the country, Hays said.

The 11-member group has planned activities for the week starting Monday, October 27. Tables will be set up in the basement of the Keathley University Center to distribute information about the effects and dangers that alcohol consumption may have on an individual, Hays said.

On Wednesday, Murfreesboro

attorney Steve Walden will speak in the Keathley University Center on the perspective of alcohol and the law.

Thursday and Friday's activities include the distribution of additional information concerning driving while intoxicated.

According to Hays, the main event of the week will be the BACCHUS party Wednesday night at the Alpha Gamma Rho house on Cherry Lane.

"This event is just one of many going on during Alcohol Awareness Week," Hays said. "The party will start at 8 p.m. and will be over at about midnight."

This is in conjunction with the IFC (InterFraternity Council) and the Panhellenic Council," Hays said.

The party is open to MTSU stu-

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Judy Nance, an MTSU student, helps her son, Nathan, feed the horses at the horse barn behind Married Student Housing.

Publications adviser: staff 'grossly underpaid'

By BRIAN CONLEY
Sidelines Assistant News Editor

The average member of the editorial staff at MTSU's student publications makes about \$1 per hour, according to time logs submitted by staff members at the request of Jackie Solomon, student publications coordinator.

"I had staff members submit the time logs on a weekly basis because I was concerned with their pay," Solomon said. "They do not get paid enough."

"I don't think students at student publications should always make minimum wage," Solomon said. "The experience you get is worth a lot. You should work for the love of what you are doing and not for the money."

"They are still grossly underpaid," Solomon said.

Solomon said the lack of pay has hurt student publications "to some extent."

"There are other things such as

lack of equipment which hurt us more, but it is hard to keep really good students when they get better paying jobs at AP, UPI and other newspapers," Solomon said.

"A lot of people can't afford to spend that much time and get paid so little for it," Solomon added.

"Most of the staff members have

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in a series

part time jobs other than Sidelines," Connie Cass, Sidelines editor in chief, said. "That makes it really difficult to get our work done here."

"We are poor students — we have to get jobs elsewhere to eat," Cass said.

Cass said that the average Sidelines editorial staff member

works around 20 to 40 hours a week.

"Each department works a different number of hours," Cass said. "The news staff works more than some people. I would say the average per staff member is about 20 to 40 hours a week."

"Sometime people work as much as 60 hours a week and get paid only about \$30 for that week," Kelly Anderson, Sidelines wire/forum editor, said.

"I work an average of 30 hours a week," Anderson said. "I get \$28 dollars a week — next to nothing in other words."

The staff at the Midlander, MTSU's yearbook, earn about the same amount per hour as Sidelines.

"The photo editor works about 20-25 hours a week at the Midlander," Michael Turner, Midlander editor in chief, said. "She makes around \$30 to \$40 a week."

According to Turner, the rest of the Midlander staff is paid on ap-

MTSU increases minority recruitment

By NANCY FLETCHER
Sidelines Staff Writer

An increase in minority student and teacher recruitment is expected to continue at both Middle Tennessee State University and Tennessee State University in the next few years because of state requests to up minority populations.

"It is illegal to require quotas on minority numbers at state institutions," Phyllis Montgomery, MTSU Affirmative Action Office director, said. "But, both MTSU and TSU have minority increase goals which

are based on national availability data that they use in deciding if more minorities should be recruited."

MTSU and TSU both receive desegregation funds from the State Board of Regents for minority scholarships and other programs, Winston Wrenn, financial aid director said. This fall both schools received \$253,000 for scholarship funds.

"Approximately 202 black scholarships were given this fall at MTSU and those scholarships were

need-based or academically-based," Wrenn added.

Most TSU minority scholarships are full-scholarships, and the number of them given out this fall has not been determined yet.

"All state schools use the money we give them in the manner that best suits their need," Susan Short, General Counselor for the State Board of Regents, said. "TSU has been requested to increase its white student population to 61 percent, and so they would need more incentives to attract students with."

MTSU has a 7.89 percent black population this fall and its goal for 1991 is 11.5 percent black, Montgomery said.

"We are much closer to our goals than TSU is to theirs," Montgomery added. "Middle Tennessee has been sensitive to this problem way before the desegregation lawsuit."

Teacher minority recruitment is another area both schools are working toward.

"Before we hire a new teacher, we look at the availability data and see if there is a need in that department for more minority teachers," added Montgomery. "We then evaluate the teaching position and decide the minimum qualifications the teacher should have."

The Stipulation of Agreement Settlement brought about by the desegregation lawsuit says that a

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Student dies in car accident, THP says alcohol involved

By BRIAN CONLEY
Sidelines Assistant News Editor

A car accident in Putnam County claimed the life of an MTSU student last weekend.

Melissa Kaye Williams, a 19-year-old sophomore accounting student, was killed when the car she was riding in ran off the road and struck a telephone pole, Jimmy Houston, a Tennessee Highway Patrol communications dispatcher, said.

"David W. Upchurch was driving east bound on Highway 70 at approximately 12:30 a.m. on the [Oct.] 19th when he lost control of the '86 Ford Mustang he was driv-

ing, ran off the road and struck a telephone pole," Houston said.

"The car came to rest against some trees," Houston said. "Both people in the car were pinned in the vehicle for an hour."

Houston said both Upchurch and Williams were dead at the scene of the accident.

"There was drinking involved in the accident," Houston said.

Williams' funeral is at 11 a.m. today at First Baptist Church in Jamestown, Tenn.

Upchurch was a Junior Pre-Optometry major at Tennessee Technological University.



Chris Watley (left) receives an airborne pumpkin thrown by Gary Davis III as they bring out the fresh pumpkins at the fruit stand owned by Gary Davis, Jr., located by Davis Food Mart across from the Southwest corner of campus.

One of eight new organizations approved

Sidelines Wire/Forum Editor

Of the eight organizations granted provisional registration this semester, only one has been granted official approval, Robert LaLance, vice-president of student affairs, said.

"I approved Sigma Delta Pi, an honorary Spanish fraternity, on Wednesday," LaLance said.

The other seven organizations who have been given provisional registration this semester are the Modeling Association of Middle Tennessee State University, Willing Weight Losers, Beta Gamma Sigma, the Japanese Organization, Psi Sigma Iota, Alcoholics Anonymous and the Tennessee Association of Political Science Students.

Phyllis Hickerson, director of student organizations and minority affairs, advises an organization, LaLance said, "when she feels an organization has fulfilled all the requirements to organize, and if I

agree, then the organization is approved."

Before an organization is accepted, however, an organization is granted a 30-day provisional registration in order to organize, Hickerson said.

"With the provisional registration, an organization is able to reserve a room only for the purpose of organizing," Hickerson said. "If an organization hasn't completed the required papers within 30 days, I will extend their provisional registration."

Hickerson said that a new organization must complete the following papers in order to be approved: a constitution, the names of the charter members, a statement of assurance, a description of what type of organization they are, the group leader's name, the name of the organization and the adviser and their P.O. box number.

"There are two items that must be put in the constitution: a state-

ment saying membership will be limited to regular MTSU students and faculty and/or staff members. The constitution should also state that membership should not be denied to any person because of age, sex, race, religion, handicap or national origin," Hickerson said.

"The statement of assurance states that an organization complies with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964," Hickerson said. "The president of an organization signs this to show that they are a non-discriminatory organization."

"It's relatively easy to get an organization started," Mark Bell, organizer of the Tennessee Association of Political Science Students, said.

Once an organization is approved by LaLance, Hickerson goes over the rules and regulations for student organizations with the president of the organization. She

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Jennifer Hicks (left) and Susan Thorpe relax and play their guitars in front of Peck Hall during a recent fall day.

Frank Conley/Staff

Lower pay makes it hard to keep good people: adviser

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operations just like it has damaged *Sidelines*, Turner said.
"It is hard to find people to do the job we have to do," Turner said.
"I am not saying we need extravagant salaries or Gold Cards," Turner said. "But I do think we are under paid for the work we do and there are not enough of us to do the work we have to do."
"Six of us do most of the produc-

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also gives the president a handbook which contains services an organization can receive on campus, the Associated Student Body government outline, rules and regulations and a form to re-register.
"An organization must re-register every year," Hickerson said. "If an organization has failed to re-register at the time they are supposed to, I ask them to turn in the required forms for that particular semester and listen to the rules and regulations."
Out of 200 registered organizations at MTSU, there are 82 inactive ones, Hickerson said.

tion and planning of the yearbook," Turner added.
Solomon cited a campus-wide lack of funding as the reason for the low wages.
"Most departments on campus did not receive increases," Solomon said.
"We have not raised student salaries in three years," Solomon said in a memo submitted with the budget requests to Winston Wrenn, director of financial aid, last spring. "Yet our publications have grown and increased in quality."
The 1986-87 publications budget

Minority recruiting

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minority teacher is not to be hired over a more qualified nonminority teacher, unless it has been shown that a lack of minority teachers has a negative impact on students.
"If we can find a minority who has these qualifications, we will hire them in order to get more minorities into the system," Montgomery said. "To fix the segregation problem, you must put more minorities into the system."

did not receive an increase, Solomon said.
"I asked for \$42,012.20 for this year," Solomon said. "I got \$29,500."
"Student publications has the third largest budget for student workers on campus," Solomon said. "Campus security and the library both have larger budgets, but their workers are paid minimum wage."
Solomon said she was forced to cut several important things from the budget in addition to salaries.
"The proposed entertainment magazine was scraped due to budget cuts," Solomon said. "We also had to cut several special issues such as two fashion issues and a *Sidelines* 60th Anniversary issue."
The money student publications spends comes from two different sources, Solomon said.

Alcohol awareness

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dents. It will cost \$2 with a valid student identification card.
Hays said that at least half of the beverages at the party will be non-alcoholic, and that BACCHUS is in the process of obtaining a Breathalyzer to measure the effects of alcohol on the party goers.

Majority of rape victims know assailant

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that he had some "things" to take care of.
He said he would take me home when he was ready for me to go home.
According to Rice, date rape is harder for women to deal with because it is more difficult psychologically to know the assailant, than to be raped by a stranger.
"The victims are very surprised as a result of not being able to figure out what a guy they know is going to do," Rice said.
This element of surprise is also "a factor in the delayed reporting of date rapes," Rice said.
The majority of all rapes can be classified as date rapes, Rice said.
"Eighty to ninety percent of all rape victims know the attacker."
But the acquaintance can be very shallow.
"Many date rapes occur between mere classmates," Jack Drugmand,

chief of campus security, said.
I was scared. It was just like something you would read about.
Then I started to think of ways to get myself out of this ridiculous situation. I kept imagining my parents' reaction when they saw my name in print followed by "missing."
He drove to an apartment building, screaming the entire time, got out of the car, played with a dog in the yard for a while, and then went in.
While he was doing all that I was trying to open the car door. I discovered that it was locked, and started looking for the lock. I couldn't find one. In the back of my mind I kept thinking that he must do this kind of thing all the time — I was trapped.
Finally I decided to climb out the window. After I climbed out I took off my shoes and started running. I didn't go back the way we came — I was afraid he would come looking for me. I ran through back yards, into a charged electric fence, hid behind trees when a car would pass and finally collapsed in the lobby of my dorm.
No date rapes were reported to campus security last year, nor have any been reported this year, Drugmand said.
"We are concerned with counseling and educating both male and females about date rape," he said.
"Don't go out with strangers, know the person and even know where they live," Drugmand said. "Especially if you're going to be alone with them."
Date rapes are not usually reported by the victim.
"It's almost always a roommate that reports it, and it's always long after the fact, usually weeks or even months," Rice said.
A date rape case will "hold up" in court, Drugmand said.
"Rape is rape," he said. "We won't take a case to court unless it has at least a 50-50 chance of victory."
The minimum sentence for a convicted rapist is five years.
It was an exhausting, degrading experience that could have easily been avoided. Yet I finally learned a lesson: I'm not special — it can happen to me; by some twist of fate it didn't.

Campus Capsule

CAMPUS CAPSULE POLICY: All submissions to Campus Capsule must be typed and submitted to *Sidelines* by 4:30 p.m. Friday for Tuesday publication or 4:30 p.m. Tuesday for Friday publication. All submissions are printed on a space available basis, and may be edited by *Sidelines* for clarity and brevity. *Sidelines* cannot guarantee submissions will be published.
Wanted!!! Entertainers willing to donate their time and talent at the Family Student Housing Fall Festival on Saturday, Oct. 25th. If interested please call 898-2858 between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.
The Muslim Student Association will present a lecture about "Islam in America." Dr. Malik, a TSU psychology professor, will be giving the lecture at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22, 1986 in room 220 Peck Hall.
Phi Beta Lambda will be having a meeting on Thursday, Oct. 23 at 3:30 p.m. in room 202 of the Business Building. We hope to see all members at the meeting. Anyone else interested in joining PBL please feel free to attend the meeting.
A.R.M.S., Association of Recording Management Students, will be meeting in K.U.C. room 324 tonight at 7:30 p.m. A discussion panel on artist development will take place. Representatives from the Nashville music industry will be present.
Crisis Intervention Center offers a 24 hour hotline for people who need help in time of crisis. If you need help or would like to serve as a crisis volunteer call toll-free 1-244-7444 or 1-255-HELP.

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Editorials

Censorship attempt keeps Tech behind times, other schools

Approximately 200 students at Tennessee Technological University recently made their opinion known to the university's administration over a controversial art display on campus this past week.

Several students were offended by artist Deborah Kruger's work titled *Anatomy of Worship/Red Tassles* which included a cross and photographs of female genitals inside diamond-shaped patterns.

The students protested the display with a letter to Tech President Wallace Prescott, which was published in the campus newspaper, and later with a petition of about 200 signatures. Tech's arts committee and the presidents weekly luncheon forum, after being presented with the petition, decided to allow the art to continue to run until its scheduled closing date this past Sunday.

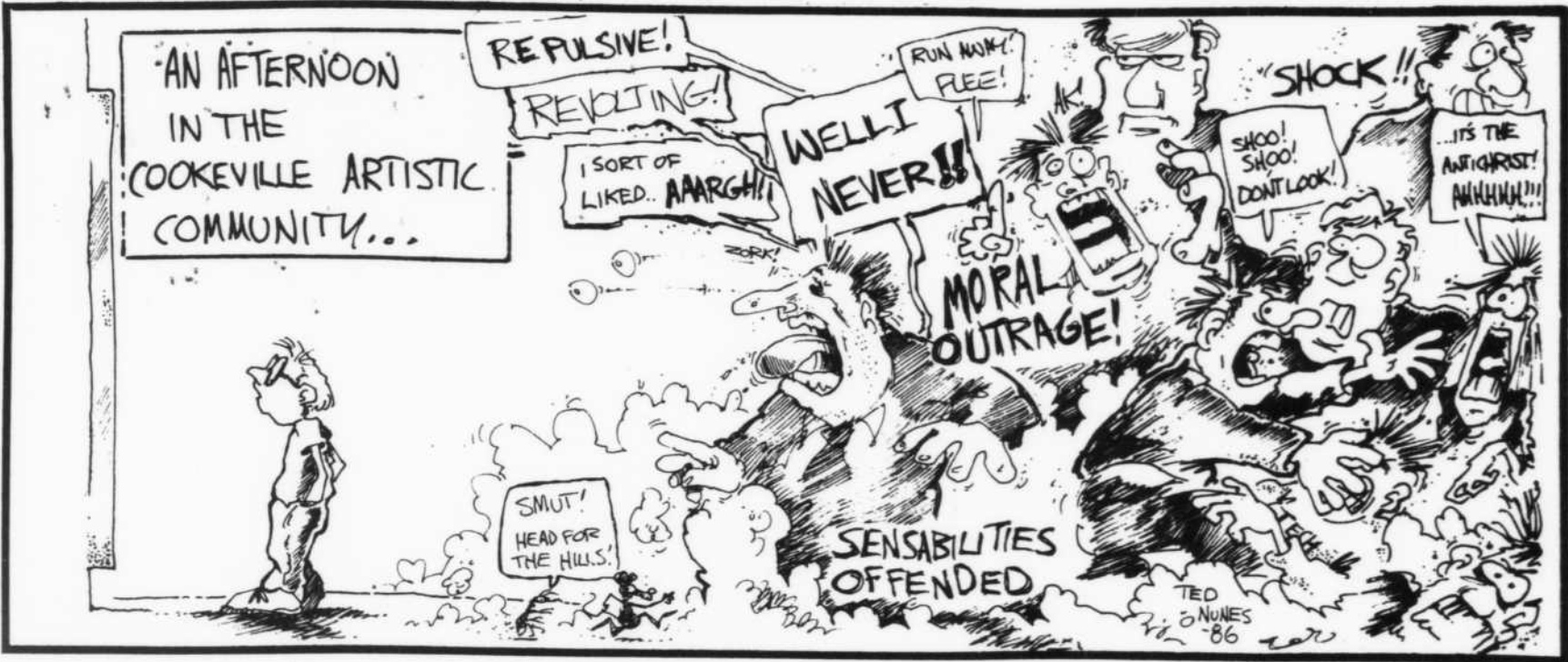
Sidelines believes this decision by the university's art council and the forum (which includes student members) was a mature and responsible one.

The few students who were not receptive to the artwork

had the right to let their opinion be known. But the university also had the right to represent the view of other students, and to grant the student body the privilege of enjoying such art.

Students matriculating at any institute of higher learning should expect to see, hear and experience life like it really is. A good college is supposed to disturb and provoke students — that's part of the experience of higher learning. Those who seek to shelter themselves from everything that may seem disagreeable or distasteful are robbing themselves of a true education.

The recent trend has been toward the return of censorship, not by the government but by small, vocal, private groups. They have targeted textbooks (the "Scopes II" trial) and magazines (pressures to remove "skin magazines" from many store shelves). With people constantly seeking to limit our choices and opportunities, we should spend time and energy broadening our horizons, not narrowing them.



Publications staff deserves better compensation

Those of us who labor to produce the *Midlander*, *Collage* and *Sidelines* often work 40 or more hours per week. We work hard at our jobs, and even if we fall short of our goals, we put a lot of time and energy into doing our best. In

return, we feel the university owes us a decent wage — the minimum wage.

Sure, we gain lots of experience and some lasting friendships — those things cannot feed and clothe us. Most of the workers in stu-

dent publications also hold off-campus jobs. These jobs eat up our time and energy, and they hurt the quality of our products here at MTSU. Though we always try to make student publications our first priority, the de-

mands of outside jobs are always felt. If the university would budget enough money to support a larger publications staff, or to enable the present staff to survive with fewer outside obligations, we believe the quality of student publications at MTSU would be greatly improved.

No one works on a student publication for the money. But only the independently wealthy can afford to work on a publication, pay tuition and not seek outside income.

If our salaries cannot be raised, then we should be compensated for our work with academic credit. At least this would alleviate some of the academic burden on student publications workers.

Blue Raiders on the ball now

Well it looks like our ole Blue Raiders have finally got that MTSU winning spirit back.

After losing to Tennessee State, Eastern Kentucky, Georgia Southern and Austin Peay, Coach Boots Donnelly has stepped out of the loser's costume and has adorned himself and the Blue Raiders with a new armor of victory.

Sidelines would like to recognize a few of the Blue Raiders who helped make this past weekend's 42-19 victory over Southwest Missouri State possible: Dwight Stone for three touchdowns in the game; Marvin Collier for completing 12 of 16 passes and Brad Cowan for returning an interception for a touchdown.

The Blue Raiders have felt the iron hand of upset long enough this year and we believe it's their turn now to show the Ohio Valley Conference and the NCAA exactly who they are dealing with.

Good luck Blue Raiders, and keep up the good work. We're counting on you.

Letters to the Editor

Mr. Dworak right on track

Dear Editor,
Bravo! Lets hear it for Mr. Dale Dworak and his accurate commentary on President Reagan's stand against Mr. Gorbachev in Iceland! ("Reagan, U.S. 'win' at summit," Tuesday, October 14, 1986)

Mr. Dworak accurately condemn the media Cassandras calling the meetings a "failure" and spears the target perfectly by calling Mr. Gorbachev's promises "nothing more than a red herring." And with surprising precision Mr. Dworak noted that without nuclear weapons, NATO would be crippled in defeating Western Europe against Soviet invasion by conventional forces.

I might be called a Genghis Kahn conservative, and I've thrown a few stones at *Sidelines* in the past, but let the record show that I will

applaud informed logic wherever it appears. MTSU students have an enormous stake in the future...more than my generation...and they will be well served by *Sidelines* search for all sides of public issues.

I do differ somewhat with Mr. Dworak's views; that the Strategic Defense Initiative won't work, for example. My faith is in the miraculous track record of science and technology. More revealing are the

successes appearing in the public record of "Star Wars" breakthroughs in directed energy and kinetic kill weapons, particle beam accelerators and related exotic systems. We can and have "hit a bullet with a bullet," as it has been described, more than 100 miles above

the earth at a closing velocity of 15,000 mph!

So, right on, Mr. Dworak. I am

confident we'll need more bouquets than brickbats for your future writing.

Hugh Perry
Adjunct faculty
Box 67

Where was *Sidelines*?

Dear Editor,
It's about time that *Sidelines* learned how to report campus news. Homecoming only comes once a year and this year was a very special year. It was "Our Year to Shine" and *Sidelines* sure put the light out.

The new homecoming queen got her picture in the paper, but there sure was no specific information about her, why? I hope *Sidelines* isn't being prejudice. The participation in the homecoming events was the biggest in years. Participa-

tion from dorms, greeks and others was outstanding. A good time was had by all that participated. Where was *Sidelines*?

Fight song, banner competition, activities day and the float competition were all great. A lot of money was spent to represent MTSU in the best and most outstanding way.

The aerial shot of the parade won't cut it.

Comments from alumni were great concerning the level of class and participation this year. Deans of the college said this year was outstanding. *Sidelines* as usual, kept their reporters in the closet to cover other stuff.

Did *Sidelines* people forget that the newspaper is a student newspaper used to keep the students informed of campus activities?

Intramurals has yet to receive coverage concerning football in the open and greek divisions. Why?

All I ask is that fair reporting be done by the student newspaper to praise and inform the students on this campus. The students are proud of their accomplishments. *Sidelines* should be proud too!

Robert Bradnay
Box 9215

Turner disputed

Dear Editor,
I'd like to make a few comments in response to Michael Turner's column entitled "Will the MTSU parking problems ever cease?" He had some good points. First,

about students on minimum wage writing tickets at "four bucks pop."

Second, that more parking spaces should be built. And thirdly, I think he should have done a little more investigating and found out why the university changed the color codes a few years ago, because green curbs used to be for people living on campus, and blue curbs were for commuters. Maybe the university had a good reason for the change (although I can't think of one).

But his point on denying freshmen parking spaces rankled me a bit. I know of a university that denies parking spaces for all of its students. This particular school also has a very high tuition and the students at this school are probably fortunate enough to have someone pay their way through school (or get enough money through loans to do so).

In this day and age it's not so easy to pay college expenses. One of the main reasons I go to MTSU is the low cost (although I could go to some other schools, but they don't offer all of the courses I want to take, and besides I truly believe MTSU is a quality school).

There are a lot of freshmen out there, Mr. Turner, who have to work their way through school and need personal transportation. Also, I've found out that it is cheaper for me to live 42 miles away and commute, than it is to live on campus.

So Mr. Turner please give a little more thought to the income of persons attending MTSU before you tell the university what to do to "alleviate the parking problem."

Jennifer A. Lee
Box 1340

Hail to King Baxter!

Dear Editor,
I have noticed that the student body here has a student that has great aspirations to fame and fortune and very few realize it.

A certain individual has worked hard to promote "his" high ideal and improve campus life for all dents. This person, needless to say, has political ambitions who started here. This individual paralleled to a great political time. Both had political college, sought offi-

school, and both associated themselves with the "elite" people of a fraternal organization. The one has moved on to become an influential politician and our own man here, Troy Baxter, will excel to great deeds also.

Because it is common knowledge that Ted Kennedy cheated on an exam at Harvard and became a great politician — my best advice to Troy is to make sure your girlfriend can swim and don't drive over any bridges.

Tyrone Langeland
Box 5099

MSU calendar? maybe

Dear Editor,
Recently, a letter to *Sidelines* suggested that the Faculty Senate was undertaking to change the university's calendar. That is not the case at all.

The Faculty Senate, in the spring of 1986, requested that the University attempt to bring both fall and spring semesters into line with respect to the number of class days available for class meetings. The Senate requested two, 15 week terms, each of which would contain 45 Monday-Wednesday-Friday class meetings and 30 Tuesday-Thursday classes.

Because of the nature of the calendar, and the requirements of planning for graduation and gearing up for registration, the creation of such a calendar as outlined above is incredibly difficult.

A possible solution to the problem was found to Memphis State University, the way, is also the way, is also the way.

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Forum

Biggest issue in governor's race integrity

One of the biggest issues, if not the biggest issue in this year's race for governor is integrity. Yes, INTEGRITY.

Headlines and broadcasts are filled with stories about politicians and their special interest groups. They also tell how some politicians use their offices for personal gain.

In the governor's race, we have seen the financial holdings of both Dunn and McWhorter brought under public scrutiny.

Upon examining these holdings, the people of Tennessee asked the

candidates if their holdings would create any conflicts of interest if elected to the state's top job.

Recently, Dunn sold his holdings in Hospital Corporation of America and First American Corporation.

No law required that he do this. There wasn't a call from the public that he do this either.

Dunn sold his holdings in these companies, because he wants to avoid any conflict of interest they might cause. He says he wants no questions about his holdings or how they would affect his performance

as governor.

Having sold his holdings in these companies, he can make objective decisions regarding legislation that

and a trucking firm. Nobody is faulting him for this. In a nation where the free market is king, he has that right.

Student View
By Paul Ladd

might affect these and other companies. Both hospitals and banks are regulated by state government.

On the other hand, McWhorter owns interests in a beer distributorship, a nursing home, several banks

In fact, any citizen has the aforementioned rights when it comes to owning a business or other financial holdings.

But when that citizen offers himself as a candidate for public office,

especially an executive office such as that of a governor, he must consider whether or not his financial holdings will create any conflicts of interest. He must also ask himself if he will put his interests first or if he will put the people he is elected to serve first.

As a member of the state legislature, McWhorter has the right to say, "Well, I just won't vote on that issue." This may have been all right. But when a person is governor, he can't just say he won't sign a bill. A governor must take a stand to show leadership. A governor must be a leader.

The Tennessee Education Association and the state AFL-CIO have both endorsed McWhorter for governor. Nobody is denying either of these special interest groups that right.

However, some questions must also be raised here. First, why did the TEA, which opposes the Better Schools Program, endorse a candidate, who says he is for the program? Remember that while McWhorter did vote for the education package, he didn't propose it, didn't co-sponsor it nor did he campaign for the program.

Secondly, the state AFL-CIO opposes Tennessee's right-to-work law. This law entitles a worker in

Tennessee the right to work without having to join a labor union. If the person wants to join a union, that is also permissible.

Dunn backs the right-to-work law. He believes every citizen of Tennessee has a right to work. He also believes that every individual should have the choice of whether or not to join a labor union. He has said repeatedly that he will defend just as strongly the right to join a union as he will the right not to join a union.

Tennessee's next governor must be a man who is willing to put the interests of the people above his own. He must not have any dealings that would create a conflict of interest. He must not be indebted to any special-interest group, except that of all the people of Tennessee.

Winfield Dunn can and will be that governor.

Plagiarism not beneficial to mind

Day before yesterday something upsetting occurred at the newspaper.

The editor and I came face to face with a glaring case of plagiarism.

My good, old, trusty Webster's Dictionary states, "plagiarize — to take (ideas, writings, etc.) from (another) and pass them off as one's own."

There is exceptionally good reason why we all must give credit to the original writer(s) of an article. There is such a thing as a copyright law. You know, that statement in the front of all published works that essentially says credit must be given where credit is due.

Let me explain why I feel so strongly about plagiarism. You see, my father is a published writer and poet. He works many

Remember that my definition straight out of my good, old, trusty Webster's Dictionary doesn't say that the material has

By Kelly Anderson
Think About It
Sidelines Forum Editor

eye-squinting hours to make sure that what he writes is perfect. Knowing how hard he works, I get real upset when someone copies something word-for-word without correct attribution.

Something else that falls in the category of plagiarism is copying from someone else's test.

to be copyrighted. All that the definition states is that plagiarism is stealing from someone else's work and then passing it off as your own.

I personally have been affected by my own use of plagiarism in the form of cheating.

This is confession time. When I was in the eighth grade, I used

to give the girl beside me in my Algebra class my test so she could take it for me.

Do you know what this form of plagiarism did for me? When I came to MTSU, I had to go into developmental studies for math.

This is the crux of the whole matter of plagiarism. Plagiarism does not help in any way, shape or form.

Use your own brain when writing or taking a test.

If we all plagiarize material from other people, some new and exciting discovery may never be discovered.

Personally, I don't think I want to risk doing that again.

Stop complaining about parking problems

As an MTSU student who has received almost \$200 in parking tickets over a one year time span, I know how bad the parking situation on this campus is.

To put it bluntly, it sucks.

In Michael Turner's column in last Tuesday's Sidelines, he addressed the parking problem, and he outlined a plan to solve it.

The plan he outlined has many flaws in it.

By Brian Conley
Insights
Sidelines Assistant News Editor

I know this. You know this. The administration knows this. Everyone knows this.

Why is everyone always complaining about it? Sometimes complaining lets people know that a problem exists, however, everyone already knows that the problem exists. They also know that something should be done about it.

The administration is doing its best to remedy the situation. They built a parking lot on Greenland Drive despite objections from residents living in the area.

They are also going to build another parking lot near Cummings Hall when the city finishes its proposed loop around Murfreesboro.

These two measures will bring the total number of parking spaces available well in excess of the number of students in class at one time. The spaces may be on the other side of campus, you may have to walk a long way to get to class, but life is like that.

He said the university should build more parking lots. They are planning, and have planned for a long time, to build more parking lots.

His proposed color code for commuter students is totally ludicrous. There is no good reason why residents should be allowed to have a different color code. Besides putting an overwhelming amount of paperwork on security, it would be unfair to commuters.

Commuters pay \$5 for a decal just like residents. They should have the chance to get good spaces. Every commuter knows that residents get the better spaces.

Turner's proposal to deny freshmen parking privileges would help parking, but it would hurt the university in the long run. How many students would attend this university if they could not have a car on campus their freshman year? This is a commuter college. If freshmen were not allowed parking

privileges, MTSU's enrollment would drop, and other state colleges and universities' enrollment would rise.

The administration could build parking spaces between buildings and make the campus one huge parking lot with buildings jutting up out of the concrete. It would make parking easier and students could park closer to their classes.

However, doing that would destroy the beauty of this campus. One of the best things about this campus is that it is spread out and

has grass and trees growing on it. The spaciousness of the MTSU campus adds to the beauty of the school grounds, but it spreads the parking spaces out also.

Personally, I would rather walk a mile in a beautiful setting from a distant parking place than walk a hundred yards through a concrete jungle.

If the students of MTSU would give the administration some time and a chance, they might resolve the parking situation.

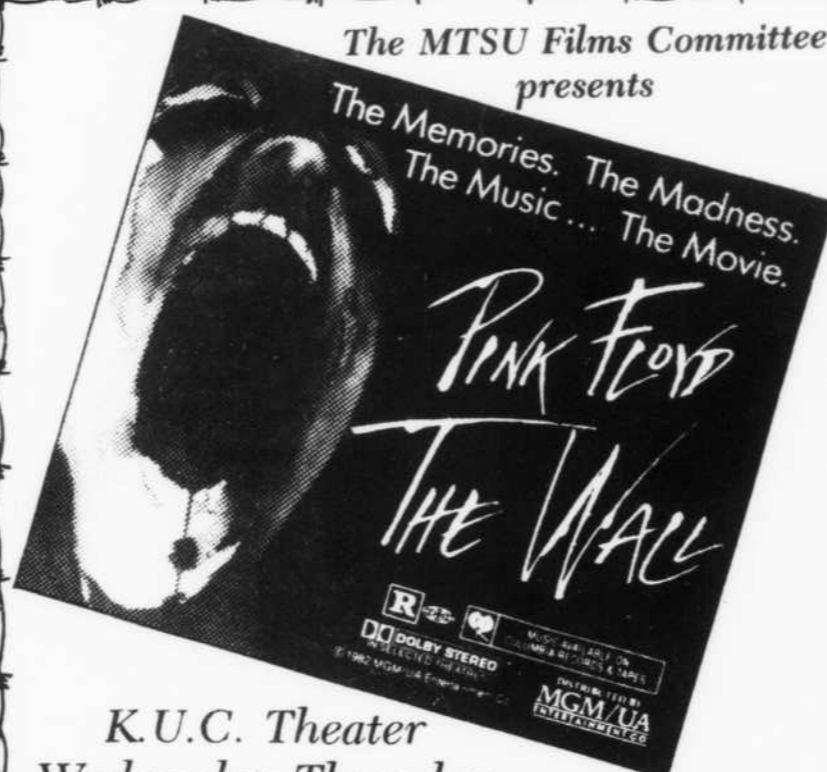
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Art / Entertainment



Jon Bon Jovi watches guitarist Richie Sambora jam during last Friday's sold out Bon Jovi/38 Special concert at Municipal Auditorium in Nashville.

38 Special's light show spectacular

By BRIAN CONLEY
Sidelines Assistant News Editor

Two worlds were represented at last Friday's 38 Special/Bon Jovi concert at the Municipal Auditorium in Nashville.

The world of heavy metal was represented by Bon Jovi, and the world of good old-fashioned, Southern fried rock by 38 Special.

To tell the truth, I did not expect much out of Bon Jovi. I had heard that they did not put on a good, live-show.

Fortunately, it wasn't that bad. They started their set with "Danger," and although I am not a real big fan of heavy metal, it was fairly good.

Their show was highlighted by two songs — "You Give Love a Bad Name" and "Runaway."

Jon Bon Jovi, the lead singer, has good stage presence. He joked around with the audience a lot, but he tried too hard to get the audience going. He should have let the music do that since the teeny boppers in the crowd were eating their show up.

The opening of the concert was great. It was the best beginning to a concert that I have seen in a long time.

The lights went out, and the computerized lights simulated the blades of a Huey helicopter. The sounds of a helicopter blasted in over the speakers. Wagner's "Ride of the Valkyries," the song Colonel Kilgore plays as his air assault division attacks the Vietnamese village in *Apocalypse Now*, begins to invade the air.

The music rises to a crescendo,

and two explosions light up either side of the stage — then 38 Special takes the stage.

Awesome. 38 Special's light show was spectacular. The timing of the computers was right in synch with the music. The stage crew did a good job of setting it up.

They did not leave any of their hits out. They played "Like No Other Night," "Caught Up in You," "Back Where You Belong" and "Somebody Like You."

The crowd loved them.

King's 'It' terror at its best

By Dale Dworak
Sidelines News Editor

Twenty-seven years ago seven children, lost in the years between innocence and high school, discovered a monster living in their town, and they sought a way to destroy it. Now, 27 years later, the monster has returned to their town, and they must return to destroy it forever.

This, simply put, is the plot of horror writer Stephen King's new novel *It*. At 1,138 pages it could be considered King's magnum opus. It tries to be everything a horror novel should be, and it works. *It* is scary. For all its length, the book holds the reader's attention with unwavering narrative drive.

King has never professed to be more than a story teller, and he has even referred to his work as the "literary equivalent of a Big Mac and fries." But the art of storytelling is rare, and the works of a good storyteller live on long after the "literary" books of their day have faded. Who has not heard of Tarzan?

The basic premise of *It* is that a monster — an *It* — lives beneath the city of Derry, Maine, and some kids once tried to destroy it. They have come back, as adults, to try again. King tells us both stories. He explains what happened to the seven children back in the fifties, and he also tells of their return to

Derry in the present. For the most part, this dual construction works. I was left at the end with a few unanswered questions about the characters' lives, but that is telling of King's writing. He is a good enough writer that I did care about his characters' lives, fictional as those lives are.

What makes *It* work so well is that King's children are believable.

Book Review

I could actually envision them and the events which fill their lives. Adults, even in the modern portions of the book, are secondary. It is through the eyes of children that the story unfolds.

A Freudian could not help but wonder what kind of childhood King had, because his seven children belong to what they themselves call the Losers' Club. One stutters, another is fat, the girl is a tomboy and there is also a Jew and a black. A miccosom, so to speak, of the "other side of the tracks" of childhood clicks. A few of these kids we've met before in other King novels. Ben Denbrough is only Mark Petrie of *Salem's Lot* by another name — a shy, reclusive boy who seems to know a lot of things normal children don't.

During the first part of the book each of the children tells how they first met *It*. Each child met *It* differently, and each child *saw* something different. Yet when they talk together, they each realize they all saw the same creature.

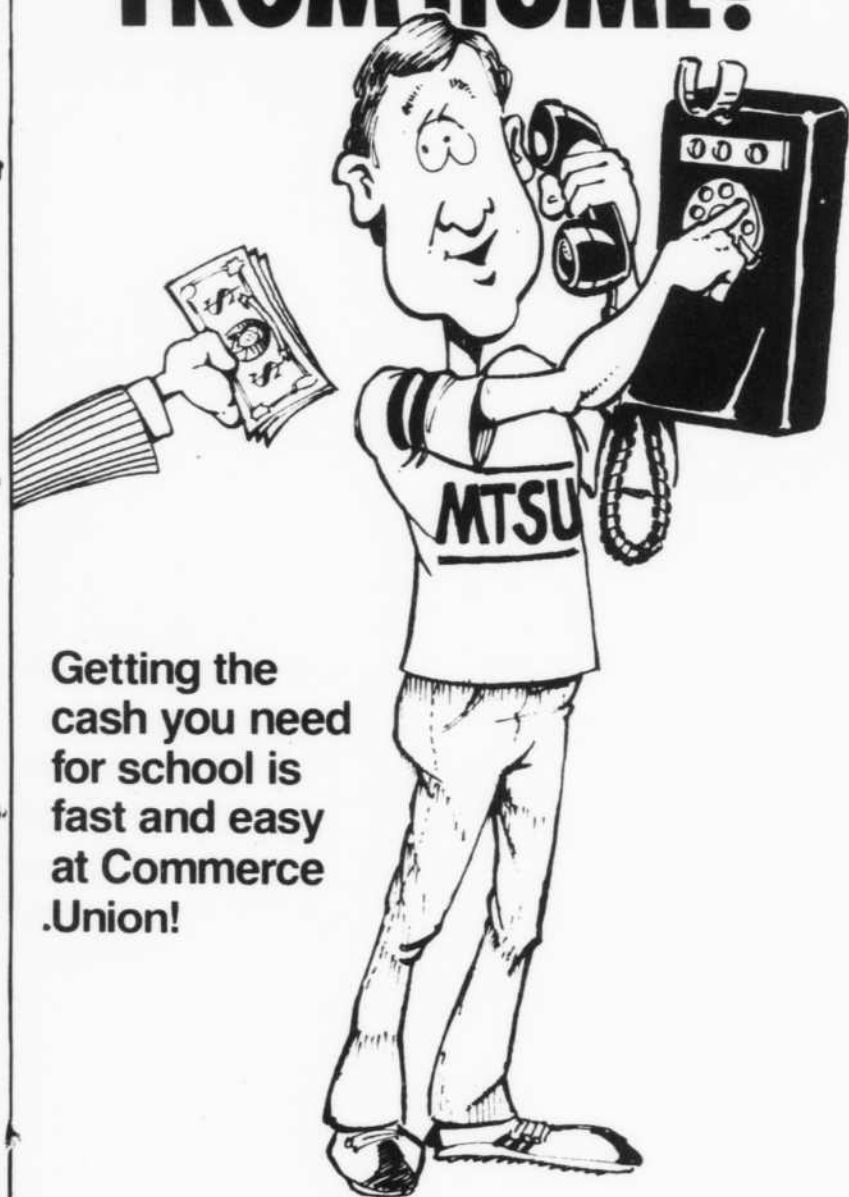
The monster appears to each of them as that thing in the recesses of their dreams which terrifies them the most. Thus we face the novels one "flaw" — we are never sure what *It* is. This is a flaw because after 1,138 pages I damn well feel I've got a right to know and since I really don't I feel a little cheated. On the other hand, as I stand back and take a look at everything I realize that "it" can be anything I want "it" to be. It is whatever frightens *me* the most. It is my own worst nightmare.

With the dual narrative construction another message can be gained from *It*; we never truly grow up we only learn more about the world than perhaps we ever cared to know.

I would have to recommend It to anyone who enjoys Stephen King and who enjoys being scared, for the book is King and his own brand of terror at their best.

A note for you die-hard King fans: look for Dick Halloran of the Overlook Hotel — he makes a guest appearance as a young man.

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Faculty performance impressive in 'Inherit The Wind' production

By MONA VINSON
Sidelines Entertainment Editor

An excellent performance of "Inherit The Wind," by Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee, was presented by the MTSU Buchanan Players, including MTSU faculty, last Saturday night.

The play, being the first at MTSU to include faculty members in its cast, is based on the famous Scope's "monkey trial" in Dayton, Tennessee in July of 1925. The story deals with the theory of evolution — or "evolution" as the townspeople call it — and the fear it causes a small community unwilling to think and grow.

Craig Core, who portrays Bert Cates, is placed on trial because he has taught the theory of evolution to his students. Core successfully plays the part of the eager-to-learn, confused and naive young man.

We learn that Cates is involved with a fresh and innocent teacher, who happens to be the local reverend's daughter. Despite the entire town's claiming that Cates is an atheistic sinner, Rachel Brown (Kristen Gardner) tries to remain loyal to him. Gardner's character is allowed to grow from an innocent, naive young woman, whose life is controlled by her father (Jimmy Collins), into a more independent woman willing to leave her father for the chance to grow. She realizes that she has led her life believing "it's safer not to think."

Roy Shelton, MTSU professor of foreign languages, is definitely above average in his performance as the infamous Matthew Harrison Brady, the prosecuting attorney. Brady is a pious, pompous and influential man. He self-righteously teaches and preaches his translations of the Holy Word. Brady believes that his narrow-minded view is the only way for man to live.

Henry Drummond, played by

Play Review

Crosby Hunt of the MTSU developmental studies department (also the husband of the play's director, Deborah Anderson) comes to Dayton to serve as Cates's attorney. Hunt's portrayal of Drummond is, by far the most professional of the entire cast. Drummond is an honest, humorous, open-minded and down-to-earth intellectual. Hunt's acting was superb and very entertaining.

One final character that contributes a great deal to the play is that of Hornbeck (Carl Smith) a mercilessly obnoxious journalist from

Baltimore. He makes reality seem cold and cruel.

In the final act, Drummond begins to defend Brady and his influential knowledge after Brady's sudden death prior to the trial. Drummond begins to defend both views and says, "We all have the right to be wrong."

After Hornbeck absorbs all of Drummond's actions and words, he says he must return to Baltimore to write "the story of an atheist... who believes in God." This quite bluntly sums up Drummond's character.

The entire play takes place at the town square. The set design, by Michael D. Sniderman, was realistically creative representation of the 1920s — as was the costuming, done by Virginia Ann Donnell.

The only weaknesses in the play were occasional volume problems of minor characters, and a few overly exaggerated Southern accents.

Under the direction of Anderson, the MTSU Buchanan Players gave a wonderfully realistic performance of "Inherit The Wind" and proved how talented our MTSU students and faculty are.

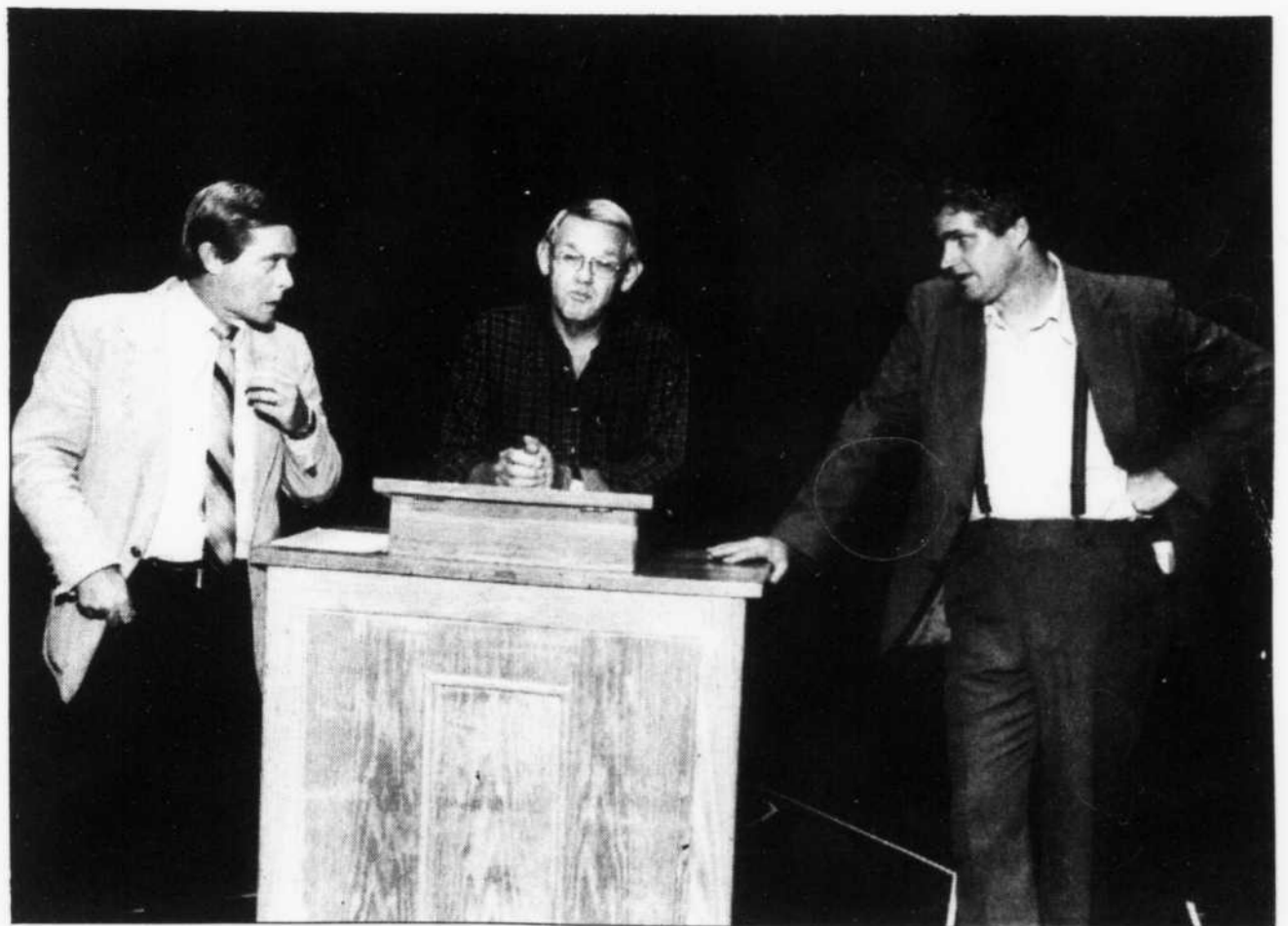


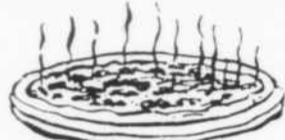
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MTSU faculty members (left to right) Roy Shelton, Dan McMurtry and Crosby Hunt perform a scene from "Inherit The Wind," which was presented at MTSU this past weekend.

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Sports

Raiders romp Southwest Missouri 42-19

By ANDY REED
Sidelines Sports Writer

MTSU football coach Boots Donnelly called the Blue Raiders' 1-4 start as a hole the team must climb out of.

The Raiders climbed one more step toward getting out of the hole Saturday by whipping Southwest Missouri State 42-19 in Springfield, Mo.

MTSU used a 23-point second quarter, including 16 in a :19 span late in the first half, to take command of the game 30-10 at halftime.

The visitors received three touchdowns and a game-high 151 yards rushing from tailback Dwight Stone as the Blue Raiders moved within a game of .500 at 3-4.

Injury-plagued quarterback Marvin Collier showed almost pinpoint accuracy by completing 12-of-16 passes for 102 yards and a

touchdown.

On the minus side, running back Gerald Anderson apparently reinjured the shoulder he separated against Tennessee State Sept. 6, forcing him to miss two games. He gained six yards on two carries and caught two passes for 14 yards before going out.

MTSU will enjoy an open week this week before returning to the Ohio Valley Conference wars Nov. 1 at Youngstown State.

The Blue Raiders led just 14-10 late in the first half when Collier hit Alford over the middle from eight yards out with :23 left. Dick Martin's point-after kick was no good, leaving MTSU a 20-14 advantage.

On Southwest Missouri's next play from scrimmage, Doug Giliham's halfback option pass was picked off by sophomore defensive end Brad Cowan. The former Gor-

donsville star returned the theft 32 yards for the score, with Martin's PAT boosting the count to 27-10.

The Bears' problems continued on the ensuing kickoff when Tony Gilbert fumbled on the return with Blue Raider Tommy Barnes recovering. Martin promptly drilled a 44-yard field goal with :04 left for the halftime score.

SMSU made a slight dent into the MTSU lead when Chris Potthast connected on a 35-yard field goal with less than five minutes left in the third period.

The Raiders more than made up for that score with another touchdown as Stone sprinted up the middle for a 16-yard TD. That score was set up by Collier's 19-yard completion to Mike Pittman and split end Alford gained 22 yards on a reverse to the 16-yard line. A bad snap on the conversion attempt left Martin unable to kick and the

pass failed, leaving MTSU a 36-13 cushion going into the final 15 minutes of play.

Martin completed a 3-for-3 day in the field goal department with boots of 31 and 43 yards in the fourth period, which offset Bear quarterback David Johnson's seven-yard scoring run late in the game.

MTSU scored on its first possession of the game when Stone capped a seven-play, 57-yard drive with an 18-yard run around the left side. Martin's PAT gave the visitors a 7-0 lead. Collier's completions of 13 yards to Anderson and 12 yards to Dwight Johnson highlighted the drive.

The Bears later marched 81

yards on 11 plays before stalling at the MTSU 3 and settling for a Potthast 20-yard three-pointer with less than a minute before the end of the opening quarter.

Stone came back on the first play of the second quarter when he took a pitch from Collier and rambled 38 yards up the middle for a touchdown. Martin's kick made it 14-3.

SMSU climbed back into the contest one last time midway through the quarter when Andy Bass drove into the end zone from a yard out at the end of an 18-play, 69-yard drive which consumed 7:50 off the clock. Potthast's kick pulled the Bears within 14-10, where the score stood until the Raiders' 16-point outburst.

Despite the huge disparity in the score, the Bears matched the Raiders in total yardage with 331.

SMSU used a time-consuming wishbone attack which ground out 310 yards, compared to 229 rushing yards for the Raiders. The Bears held the ball 11 minutes more than MTSU.

Halfback Tony Gilbert led the Bears rushing with 99 yards on 20 attempts. David Johnson was 3-of-5 through the air for only 21 yards and an interception.

Turnovers proved to be the Bears' downfall as the hosts lost a fumble and two interceptions. The Blue Raiders did not commit a single turnover.

Defensive lineman Doug Althouse led the Blue Raiders with a game-leading 10 tackles, including two sacks and another tackle for loss. For the day, MTSU dropped the Bears' quarterback five times in sacks as SMSU fell to 2-5 after the first meeting between the schools.



Kim Boyde Special to Sidelines

Blue Raider tailback Floyd Walker (33) breaks through one hole in the Southwest Missouri defense and attempts to slip past two other defenders. The 5-3 junior is the smallest player on the Blue Raider roster.



Kim Boyde Special to Sidelines

Blue Raider quarterback Marvin Collier (3) sprints down the sidelines, past the Southwest Missouri defense. The Raiders won 42-19.

Lady Blue goes 1-3 at tourney

By BEVERLY KEEL
Sidelines Sports Editor

The Blue Raider volleyball team returned from the mid-season tournament Saturday at Eastern Kentucky University with a 1-3 weekend record.

It took five games for Akron to overcome the Raiders. The match-winning game was won by Akron 16-14.

The Lady Blue beat Youngstown State and lost to Akron, Morehead and perennial OVC champion Eastern Kentucky.

Head volleyball coach Diane Cummings said she was pleased

with the overall performance of the team. She said she was upset with the turnout of the Akron game because there were several letdowns that cost the Raiders the match.

"But overall, our play was the best that has ever been at the tournament," Cummings said.

In the two previous years, the Lady Raiders boarded the bus back to Murfreesboro without a win.

Cummings said the other OVC coaches could not believe the difference in this year's Raiders and last year's team.

"We played close with Eastern and Morehead for the first time ever," she said.

"The score didn't indicate how well we played," she said.

Senior hitter Lori Krier made her last trip as a Lady Raider to the tournament, and perhaps saved her best performance for last, according to the head coach.

"Lori has played consistently all weekend," she said. "She came up with some big points for us."

Cummings said Krier has learned how to mix up her shots and read the defense.

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Pikes keep flag football crown

By MAURICE PETWAY
Sidelines Sports Writer

Controlled Aggression!

This phrase should be posted in every nuthouse before next year's playoffs.

Can't Stop the Nut did not control their frustrations during Thursday's flag football championship, and they fell to Pi Kappa Alpha 14-12.

There were two mental errors that really hurt the Nuts. The first was a personal foul that led to a Pike touchdown. The second was a tackling foul in the waning minutes of the game. It enabled the Pikes to run out the clock for the victory.

Take no credit from the Pikes,

they came to play.

"They have a tough team," Nut receiver "Chili" Willie Miles said.

To sum the game up in a nutshell, the Pikes defeated Can't Stop the Nut 14-12 to win their fourth consecutive flag football championship.

The Nuts jumped on top in the second quarter when Nut quarterback Uno Glimpse hit wingman Quentin Bailey on a 60-yard strike to give the Nuts a 6-0 lead after missing the point after. The momentum then shifted in the second half to the Pikes. The Pikes came out fired up in the second half. They used their vaunted passing attack to drive down the field

and eventually score on a seven-yard pass from Matt Brooks to wide out Lumpy Grace. This gave them a 7-6 lead.

Brook's confidence began to increase in the fourth quarter as he hit William Mongrum on an 11-yard pass play with 5:45 left to go in the game. He put his team up 14-6.

The Nuts did not choke. They came back, and they scored on a one-yard strike from Glimpse to Fred Campbell. They failed to convert the extra point.

The Pikes ran out the remaining time on the clock to win their fourth consecutive championship.



Although Alpha Delta Pi cannot stop Cummings Hall runningback Laura McWilliams from gaining long yardage on this play, Alpha Delta Pi put the stop on Cummings for the intramural flag football championship Thursday, 33-18. The Pikes captured the men's championship 14-12 over Can't Stop the Nut.

Rugby team defeats Western 10-9

Mark Dinardo scored two touchdowns in Saturday's rugby game to lead the Blue Raiders to victory over Western Kentucky University, 10-9.

The MTSU B-team shut out Western in the following game 12-0.

"We should've beaten them by four or five touchdowns," Joe Anderson, rugby player, said. "But we're glad we just came out with the win."

Anderson said Saturday's game was primarily a defensive ballgame.

Jason Archer saved the game with his solo tackle, preventing Western from scoring.

"The backs were knocking on the door all day long," Anderson said. "We just couldn't punch it in."

Anderson said the team won most of its line-outs, and team captain Chip Finley won the majority of his hooks. Bo House continues to improve his game performances.

"Bo House brought down a lot of clean ball Saturday," Anderson said.

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