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Photo by Greg King

Yellow curbs have been replaced with green to provide more parking spaces for students.

1000 parking spaces planned

By CHRIS BELL
Sidelines News Writer

"We're going to be moving fast and furious," University Vice President Otis Floyd said, describing the University's planned addition of roughly 1000 student parking spaces designed to relieve the overcrowding in student parking.

ASB president Bobby Hopkins said after a Thursday afternoon meeting with Floyd, he learned that University President Sam Ingram had approved a plan drawn up by Hopkins, Dean of Students Paul Cantrell and Vice-president of Student Affairs Robert Lalance.

The plan will add 400 spaces to the Murphy Center parking lot; 200 on the north side of the lot, 200 on the south, and between 600 and 800 spaces to the parking lot between the Agricultural Center and Cummings Hall. The Murphy Center

spaces will be paved later this year, but the Cummings spaces will remain gravel.

The project still faces approval from the Traffic Committee, which meets Friday morning, however Hopkins does not expect any major problems with approval.

Once the project is approved, Charles Pigg, director of campus planning, will immediately begin taking telephone bids. Normally a month waiting period is required between the announcement and bids, but the University is handling the project as an emergency situa-

tion, eliminating the waiting period.

Gravel is expected to be laid down sometime next week and Hopkins hopes people will be able to park in the lots by September 23.

The extra spaces are being added to deal with the lack of sufficient student parking spaces and to accommodate special events in Murphy Center.

Hopkins, Cantrell, and Lalance have been formulating a plan to deal with the parking situation since he is "very pleased" with the administration's decision to implement their plan.

IFC discusses scholarships

By KELLE MULLOY
Sidelines Staff Writer

The MTSU Interfraternal Council discussed on Monday possible plans for the scholarship fund that was initiated by the council in 1981.

"The \$300 per student for each semester scholarship program was set up to promote fraternity pledge class membership and high grade point averages for pledges and active brothers," said Paul Cantrell, dean of students.

Along with the MTSU Foundation, the IFC built up the fund from various activities such as Chapter dues of \$20 from each fraternity per semester, and entrance fees for the Greek Week festivities, said Cantrell.

In order for a fraternity to be eligible for the scholarship they must meet two requirements. There must be at least 20 members in the fraternity and the recipient of the scholarship must have acquired a minimum of 12 college credit hours, according to Cantrell.

Pledge classes must have a minimum of eight pledges inducted for the semester who are taking at least 12 hours, according to Cantrell.

If a fraternity does not meet these requirements in a semester, the money is returned back to the fund to be used for the next semester, said Cantrell.

Accounting, Information Systems split

By CRYSTAL NELMS
Sidelines Staff Writer

The Tennessee Higher Education Commission approved splitting accounting and information systems into two separate departments, due to the size of each.

The change, which went into effect July 1, was due to a consensus of the school's administration. There was a difference of interest in the Accounting and Information offices in the past. Now each department can be more specialized and can serve students more effectively.

"We needed more flexibility, and they needed more flexibility," Dr.

William J. Grasty, chairman of accounting, said.

"Splitting the two departments did not effect the students nor did it bring about changes in classes or requirements," Grasty said.

Changes resulting from the separation were the location of the information systems office to KOM 106, and the appointment of Dr. Robert Aden as acting chairman of the departments.

Aden has been at MTSU for 19-years, and was chosen because of his seniority. He will be serving until the university secures a permanent chairman for the position.

There has been no problems with the split this semester. Both

departments seem to be functioning well, and there has been cooperation for students and faculty members, according to Grasty and Aden.

During the 1982-83 school year, seniors in the accounting and infor-

mation systems department were given a nationally standardized test in their field of study. They scored above the national average. Aden said that his main concern is to maintain or improve this standard of excellence.



Photo by Wayne Cartwright

The USA Today Robot made a visit to the MTSU campus to converse with students and promote the recent arrival of the newspaper.

Kappas back on campus

By LISA FLOWERS
Sidelines News Editor

Kappa Alpha Psi is back on campus and back on top, according to Celester Elliott, former president of Kappa Alpha Psi.

Kappa Alpha Psi was suspended from the MTSU campus for a period of not less than two years in February of 1984.

The suspension stemmed from outstanding debts and low grade point averages, according to Paul Cantrell, dean of students.

"They were inactive pending certain standards which were met early and enabled them to operate this fall with probationary conditions," Cantrell said.

Kappa Alpha Psi had the lowest

overall fraternity grade point average for the 1983 fall semester with a 1.81.

"Now we have the highest GPA of all black fraternities and are 5th highest out of 13 fraternities on campus," said Elliott.

"We were evaluated at the end of last spring and we were reinstated early," said Elliott.

"It took a lot of effort to get the GPA's up. We worked very hard to get reinstated," said Rodney Moore, vice-president of Kappa Alpha Psi.

"They really put the organization together in fine fashion," said Cantrell. "They have been very cooperative and have had positive attitudes. They've done a great job."

New class required for RA's

By JANICE TOBITT
Sidelines Staff Writer

Students living on campus can now be more confident of the training their housing staff has received.

University Housing Office has initiated a new class in the Psychology department to train housing employees in their job.

There are four sections of this class this fall and is only open to housing employees, according to Area 1 coordinator Diane Hargrove.

The class is mandatory for all new resident assistants, but isn't mandatory for past RAs that have

more than 91 hours and will not be a RA in the spring.

Four instructors in the psychology department are responsible for the classes according to department chairman Dr. Larry Morris.

Housing impact on students, chemical use and abuse, sex roles and group dynamics of cultural and ethnic awareness are topics covered by the Psychology department. The section of class also includes time and stress management, listening and counseling, conflict management and crisis intervention.

There is also a graduate level class for resident hall directors.

Free health services available

By CATHY SMITH
Sidelines Staff Writer

Health services are available for all full-time and part-time students at no charge to the student. The center treats the students on an out-patient basis. For services that the center cannot provide, they will give appropriate referrals, and the student will be charged for these services.

The center treats minor illnesses and injuries; tests for venereal disease; tests for tuberculosis for health cards; and gives injections for allergies.

The Student Health Services di-

rector is Barbara L. Martin, R.N., and the staff includes a physician, a physician-certified attendant, three R.N.'s and an L.P.N.

Class excuses will be issued at the discretion of the center, and only if the student was missed on the day the class was missed.

Health Services also recommends medical insurance, which is available through the office of Mr. Dallas Biggers, ext. 2590.

Located across the street from Cummings dormitory, the Center's hours are from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. The phone number is 898-2988.

Temperature rises in library

By MICHELLE VENSKE
Sidelines Staff Writer

The left wing of Todd Library has been suffering from a broken mechanical system for the past several days, resulting in unbearable heat in that part of the building.

"We do not have chill water circulation (in the left wing of the library) because a section of the pipeline is not connected," said Jack Martin of MTSU's physical plant.

The system is circulating air, but it is hot air, said James Craig, director of the library.

Craig called maintenance yesterday and asked for some fans to help circulate the cool air from the right wing of the building to the sweltering left wing, but was told no fans were available.

The right wing of the library is unaffected by the mechanical breakdown because a different mechanical system operates in that part of the building.

"A request has been submitted to the State Board of Regents for renovation funds, part of which would be used for renovating the mechanical system," Craig said.

Meanwhile, students, faculty, and library personnel are making the best of a hot situation.

Reserve room personnel have moved their desk outside of the reserve room until the problem is solved and Craig encourages students to study in the right wing of the library.

South African "pass law" unfair

JOHANNESBURG (UPI) - The "pass law" that obliges blacks to carry a passport-type identity document at all times is probably the most hated symbols of South African apartheid.

The influx controls or "pass laws" were designed by the architects of apartheid to prevent mass migration of blacks from rural areas to the cities.

The small black book containing a photograph, a thumbprint and details of the owner's employment and residential rights must be produced on demand by a policeman, soldier or government official.

Despite a 1980 court ruling that police should afford a "reasonable opportunity" to produce the document, there are regular reports of

blacks being arrested within yards of their homes or workplaces because they were not carrying them.

Black residence in white areas have been restricted since 1945, but the pass requirement is based on the 1950 Population Registration Act providing for the racial classification of all South African.

According to the independent South African Institute of Race Relations, an average of 564 blacks were arrested every day in 1982, a rate of one arrest every two-and-one half minutes, and a total for the year of 206,022.

Offenders are tried in special Commissioners Courts that hand out fines generally between \$12 to \$36, but sometimes as high as \$100, with an alternative penalty of 250 days imprisonment.

Blacks see the pass as a major inconvenience, but also as a constant reminder of their second-class status in white-ruled South Africa.

One black competitor in the 50-mile Comrades Marathon, South Africa's premier roadrace, complained that he had to compete with a specially-made pocket in his shorts to carry the pass.

Many blacks carry so-called "pass money" sewn into their clothes so that they can pay a fine if they should be arrested.

The multi-party Committee on Urbanization Strategy of the President's Council, which advises President Pieter Botha, recommended Thursday that the "pass laws" be scrapped and that everyone in South Africa carry the same documents.



Photo by Bill McClary

Above are the winners of the Military Science Departments' 1st annual rifle competition for all new freshman.

Campus Capsule

MONDAY

ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY INC. will hold its annual interest tea Monday, Sept. 16, at 6 p.m. in the U.C. Room 318. All ladies interested are invited. *Skeevee!*

THE PLACEMENT OFFICE will conduct Career Placement Orientation for seniors and graduate students on Tuesday, September 10 at 3 p.m. in Room 324 of the U.C.

WEDNESDAY

DR. RONALD J. BOMBARDI will present the next lecture in the Honors Lecture Series on Wednesday, Sept. 18, at 3 p.m. The presentation will be "Artificial Intelligence and Natural Selection."

ALL ORGANIZATIONS should secure an MTSU P.O. Box to receive organizational information. All registered organizations should do this before Sept. 20.

STUDENT HOME ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION will hold its first meeting of the semester on Wednesday, Sept. 18 at 3 p.m. in Room 106 of the Ellington Home Economics Building. Students with a major or minor in any area of home economics are invited.

All organizations are required to complete an Information Report Form by Friday, September 20, 1985, in order to maintain their active status with MTSU. If your organization has not received this form, please contact the Student Information and Minority Affairs Office located in the U.C. Room 124 or call ext. 2987. Any organization not filing the proper forms to meet university requirements **WILL BE DENIED** the use of university services and facilities.

SIGMA DELTA CHI The Society of Professional Journalists, will have hold its first meeting Sept. 18 at 6 p.m. at the home of Dr. Glenn Himebaugh, faculty advisor. For additional information call Dr. Himebaugh at ext. 2205 or 893-8668.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS desiring to make applications for Student Activity fees should pick up an application from the Dean of Students office in Room 126 in the U.C. Applicants should be in good standing with the university. Applications are for activities conducted for 1985. Deadline for applications to be returned to the office is Sept. 20. Any applications received after that time will not be considered.

NOTICES

THE GUIDANCE & COUNSELING OFFICE in conjunction with the Office of Minority Affairs has scheduled a Study Skills/Test Seminar for Tuesday, Sept. 24 and Wednesday, Sept. 25 from 2:30 p.m. till 4:30 p.m. in the Keathley University Center Room 324.

AN ELECTRIC CONCERT by the Percussion Group ranging from percussion classics of John Cage to recent works by young American composers will be the dynamic opener for the 1985-86 Middle Tennessee State University Concert Series. The Cincinnati-based group will perform on Sept. 20 at the Music Hall of Wright Music Building. Tickets for the series are \$18 per person. For further information call ext. 2469.

APPLICATIONS for Homecoming queen need to be in the ASB office by Sept. 16 at 4:30 p.m. Qualifying petitions for freshman senate need to be turned in to the ASB office, Room 304 in the U.C. by Sept. 18. Freshman senator elections and Homecoming court elections will be held Wednesday, Oct. 2 and Thursday, Oct. 3.

AN ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING or all men and women interested in trying out for JV cheerleading will be held Sept. 24 from 4-6 p.m.



FIRST ANNUAL COLLAGE CREATIVE CONTEST

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CONTEST OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS

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| 1. Short Fiction
(2,000 words or less) | 4. 2-Dimensional Artwork |
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(2,000 words or less) | 5. 3-Dimensional Artwork |
| 3. Poetry | 6. B/W Photography |

CONTEST DEADLINE OCT. 1

(deadline for non-contest submissions Oct. 8)

Please visit the **COLLAGE** office, Room 306 James Union Building, before submitting entries for information concerning the submissions procedure.

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SENIOR PICTURE MAKE UP DAYS

September 18, 1 p.m. until 4 p.m.
September 19-20, 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.
University Center, Room 316

All seniors should make arrangements to be photographed at this time.

QUESTIONS? Call 898-2533

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MIDLANDER will hold a workshop for applicants and other interested people September 14, from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., Room 322, Keathly University Center.

The MTSU Special Events Committee presents

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Get tickets for your whole family —your folks, little brothers & sisters, too!

OCTOBER 12, 1985 (Family Day)
8:00 P.M.-Murphy Center

Tickets will go on sale at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, September 16 at the Northeast Concert Box Office at the Murphy Center. After Monday the remaining tickets will be sold in the Office of Student Programming, KUC, Room 308.



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Sunday, September 29, 1985
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Saturday, October 19, 1985
8:00 P.M.-Murphy Center

Reserved seats still
available at \$11.50

Tickets are on sale in the Office of Student Programming, K.U.C. Room 308, Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. For additional ticket information please call the Concert Ticket Office at 898-2551.

Students will receive a one dollar discount on each of the first two tickets purchased with a valid MTSU I.D.

Editorial

Reagan support of repression continues

Particularly entertaining in the news this week was Ronald Reagan's bold assertion that racial discrimination and segregation in South Africa has ended.

Of course this was nothing other than a "test-blimp" to determine how the American public would react to such an erroneous statement—to see how it would go over, to see if the American public would buy it. Naturally we did not, as we have become accustomed to Reagan's chronic disregard for truth and his perpetual obsession to distort facts.

But then, as if Reagan, who is incidentally the least intellectual president in American history, had not already insulted our intelligence enough, he apologized for his "inadvertent" statement and claimed that it had occurred by accident. This, of course, is absolutely laughable. Does he really expect the American public to believe that he actually went on the air, had a written document prepared in advance, and then read it over the national airwaves entirely by accident? He would have a better argument if he tried to persuade us to believe that he *accidentally*

ran as a presidential candidate and was *accidentally* elected by an often misinformed electorate—a decision that Americans will doubtlessly come to regret in decades to come.

The Reagan administration, in embracing state-sponsored terrorism as the cure to all our international and economic woes, truly does an obscene injustice to the best of our national heritage! Thomas Jefferson is probably rolling over in his grave as Reagan declares that murder is justice and right-wing totalitarianism is democracy.

Reagan has continued to support repressive military regimes all over the world, in the name of fighting communism. This is, of course, not to say that Soviet-style communism is not an evil repressive regime. To the contrary; they are one of the worst enemies to human rights advancements in the world! But to suggest that an oppressive, murderous right-wing dictatorship is any more desirable is absurd!

Nevertheless, this is precisely what Reagan has done. In the name of fighting communism and Soviet influence, Reagan

has embraced repressive totalitarian regimes that routinely employ right-wing death squads, which murder innocent civilians without a hearing or trial. This is not only the case in El Salvador, where he supports such an autocratic regime, and in Nicaragua, where his administration is trying to overthrow the legitimate, sovereign Sandinista government, but throughout the world as well.

In Chile, the Philippines and South Africa, Reagan has aligned U.S. foreign policy interests with right-wing dictatorships. He also supports the genocidal government of Guatemala, whose military regime has murdered over 100,000 people over the last thirty years. Reagan wants to give further military aid to the Guatemalan government, which is truly comparable to the German Nazi regime under Adolf Hitler. Apparently he is either too senile to remember, or, for PR purposes, simply chooses to ignore the fact that these are the very same kind of forces we went to war against in WWII.

A little over 200 years ago the American colonies had a revolution to shed the yoke

of imperialism by a super-power—Great Britain. Today, Reagan seems shocked that other peoples throughout the world likewise want to gain independence from foreign, imperialistic powers. Americans believe firmly in the right to govern ourselves and to determine our own destiny. Yet we have elected a madman who engages in a foreign policy aimed specifically at denying other countries this basic, democratic right. He is decidedly against sovereign self-government by other nations when it is in conflict to U.S. vested economic interest in other regions of the world.

Of course, if you mistakenly believe that every legitimate upheaval around the world in search of social and economic justice is really part of a communist plot, directed and supplied from Moscow, then you have already been brainwashed by the Reagan rhetoric. You may just as well believe that trees cause pollution and racial segregation has ended in South Africa. If you believe that, I have some swamp land I want to sell you...in South Africa.

DWIGHT IRONS

Freshmen are what they act

By BEVERLY KEEL
Sidelines Columnist

Virtually every freshman spends the entire year trying not to look like a freshman. It seems they stick out like sore thumbs no matter how hard they try, however. Of course there are the obvious signs: having your mother accompany you to registration or wearing high heels to registration. Those are dead giveaways to your classification. But the majority of the hints are quite subtle, leaving only the freshman oblivious to the blunder.

Never ask anyone what grade he is in. His response will be "You're a freshman, aren't you?" A better question to ask would be, "What year are you?" Once that question has been perfected, after his answer, reply, "But what are you just throw him off a bit because usually a freshman has no concept of hours."

In the cafeteria, refrain from asking the server, "What's good today?" Just choose whatever appears to be the most easily digested. I overheard a major *faux pas* in High Rise cafeteria. A freshman, no doubt, asked a cafeteria worker, "Where are the cucumbers and eggs on the salad bar?" A little advice: If you don't see it, they don't

have it. If they did have it, you probably wouldn't want it anyway.

As you enter the classroom, the real test begins. After an hour of taking notes on cell reproduction, it would be beneficial if you did not ask, "Do we need to know this?" It seems many professors lack a sense of humor when dealing with their lectures.

It is inevitable that the night life soon beckons the innocent freshman into a world of late hours and missing classes. If you do oversleep, try to avoid asking the professor, "I didn't miss anything important, did I?" Although many students do not take school seriously, some teachers actually expect their students to attend class unless they have a legitimate excuse. As far as I know, Faces is still considered an unexcused absence. Contrary to popular belief, teachers have devoted their lives to educating the ignorant. Therefore, your professor's feelings, not to mention your grade, may be adversely affected if you fail to follow this advice.

Unfortunately, just keeping your mouth closed is not enough; your actions will reveal your status every time. For instance, while going down the dorm steps, I came across

two freshmen sneaking looks at a *Playgirl*. Later that night, they ordered a pizza and carried it up indiscreetly onto the elevator. Any veteran of dorm life would share the *Playgirl* with her entire floor without any embarrassment while the magazine still retained its shape. That is, before Mr. September is placed on the wall for all to admire. It is the pizza that you would want to sneak up, hoping no one else could catch a drift of the aroma of real food.

Luckily for the bookstore, a large number of freshmen tend to believe all school supplies should be emblazoned with "MTSU". That is only a small part of the profit the bookstore makes during the first two weeks, selling its entire stock of sweatshirts, socks, visors, and sweatbands that tell the world the freshmen have finally made it to college.

Perhaps these little hints may come in handy if the situation should arise. Of course, if you still wear your boyfriend's high school class ring or insist on dressing identically to your best friend, you are destined to a year of being branded as a *freshman*!



Affirmative action not progressive

By ROBERT LINLEY RICHTER, JR.
Sidelines Columnist

We have all been the victims of discrimination at one time or another in our lives; however, one of the most blatant examples of discrimination has been that of whites against blacks. It is most appalling to me when I hear a seemingly intelligent individual expressing racial prejudice. This serves only to discredit the person making the remarks and reaffirms my commitment to make a conscious effort not to engage in the practice of racial discrimination.

A seemingly good, but equally appalling statement is now guiding this country's racial policy. Affirmative Action is as blatant an example of discrimination as the "Jim Crowism" that plagued the South subsequent to Reconstruction.

However honorable the intentions of the instigators of Affirmative Action were, the results have been less than favorable. At the inception of an edict we tend to judge it based on the intentions of the proposers. Many times we fail to critically analyze the results of such laws once they have been in effect for a substantial period of time.

When it is aware that a particular law is defective in carrying out its intended purpose, the tendency is not to abolish it, but to add to it in an attempt to correct the deficiency.

Thus we now have a set of laws, judicial in nature, based on a series of legislated laws and proclamations, all passed by well-intentioned men with a strong desire to correct an injustice—the results being just the opposite of the intent.

Anytime a choice is made between two people (such as for a job), one person will be discriminated against in favor of another.

The law of logic tells us that we should discriminate toward people based on such things as ability, motivation, experience, etc., but that we should not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, or religion. If a person hires someone based only on the color of his/her skin, then the employer has acted illogically and will more than likely continue to act that way.

This same reasoning holds true for the government as well. When the government passes illogical laws, it serves only to undermine the existing basis of society and re-

place it with one founded on fallacies. If not corrected, then society will become divided with men pitted against women, black against white, Christian against Moslem, liberal against conservative, and so on until the society falls from within.

Affirmative Action is just such a law. It encourages institutions to hire someone based on the color of his/her skin. In other words, it promotes discrimination based on color. This is as clear a case of illogical thinking as there could be.

Our society is being barraged by laws that are just as illogical but are much more subtle in their tyranny. The greatest danger to our liberty lies in the power given to the government by such laws. People sit quietly while the government moves closer to totalitarianism, and they say that America is immune from such a state.

And all the while, judges and legislators are making decisions and laws that "protect" one group of people by harming another group and doing it in the name of freedom and equality—benefitting no one in the end and leading down that one-way garden path to total destruction.

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The already alarming use of drugs in this country could be expanded geometrically by man-made, synthetic drugs.

Manufactured in crude laboratories—even hotel bathtubs—by persons needing only a high school chemistry background, synthetic or "designer" drugs are easier to produce and distribute than cocaine and marijuana. Metamphetamines and "speed" is the chief synthetic drug and its ingredients—ephedrin, red phosphorus, hydrochloric acid—are legally purchased in bulk from chemical retailers. Synthesizing LSD, PCP and a heroin surrogate, fentanyl, requires more sophisticated knowledge and equipment.

Nearly everything about synthetic drug manufacturing is dangerous. Not only are the drug laboratories highly combustible, the finished product is truly hazardous. There have been 85 deaths in

California alone traced to lethal fentanyl. The enhanced menace of designer drugs comes from their relatively cheap availability. The overhead on drug synthesis is low, the profits high and the process relatively simple. Ironically, some synthetic drugs are not even illegal. For example, the molecular structure of fentanyl can be altered so as to escape drug laws that currently encompass only a certain structure.

Three crucial questions are posed by the appearance of synthetic drugs. Will drug users alter their drug habits and provide an expanding market for cheap, designer drugs?

Will these drugs increase experimentation? The National Institute on Drug Abuse reports that amphetamine use doubled between 1974 and 1982.

Finally, do successful U.S. drug

enforcement efforts abroad aid domestic drug manufacturers? The appearance of fentanyl is partially linked to a fluctuating heroin market.

Because synthetic drug manufacturing is a relatively new phenomenon, questions about their usage cannot be known for some time. Meanwhile, drug enforcement officers face a growing challenge from the synthetic culture.

What to do? Certainly the manpower needs of the DEA and local agencies should be met immediately and punishment for this new threat should be spelled out clearly in new laws. But the only hope ultimately is for a broad educational program to get across to potential users how dangerous these chemicals are. The solution is to educate Americans in all age groups about the dangers of drug use.

Letters Policy

Letters to the editor are welcomed and are considered on the basis of timeliness, interest, taste and space.

All letters must include the author's name, MTSU box number and telephone number. Telephone numbers will not be printed and are for verification purposes only. When warranted, requests to withhold names will be honored.

We reserve the right to edit letters for clarity and space.

Address all letters and inquiries to: *Sidelines*, Box 42, or come by Room 310 of the James Union Building.

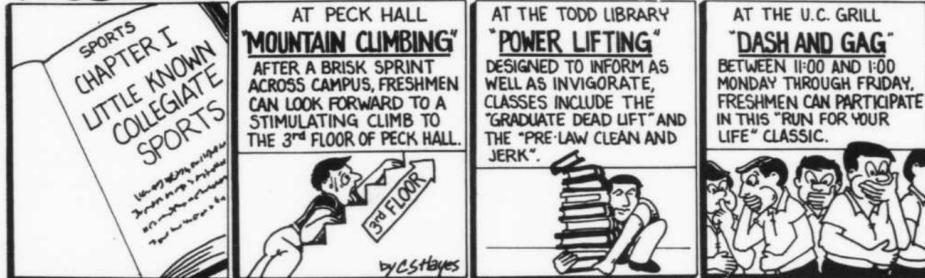
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Letters to the Editor

Rebuttal

I believe you've all met Mr. Dwight Irons, the self-proclaimed voice of truth and justice in U.S. foreign affairs.

He informed returning students that they missed his "thrilling critique" on U.S. policies in Central America. Well, you also missed his attack on the United States in general and the South in particular. In a response to another student's article which he disagreed with, Mr. Irons summed up his article by saying, and I quote, "In essence, Mr. Freeman personifies the backwards, paranoid, reactionary bigotry of the south, which I look forward to leaving behind when I graduate and move west."

This narrow-minded statement comes from someone who believes they have special insight on world problems. Mr. Irons may have some valid points to make, but he has so totally destroyed his objective credibility that all his statements are subject to suspicion.

He portrays the South as a world full of backwards fools, while his

beloved West is the last bastion of goodness.

Where is this Western Utopia? I've lived in the West, in the North and in the South and I have found good and bad in all parts of the U.S., I would be happy to live in any one of them. Mr. Irons' statement is obviously the product of a bigot!

Mr. Irons believes white South Africans have no right to be in Africa. This is ridiculous and dangerous. White South Africans are native Africans. They have lived in Africa for generations. We think of ourselves as Americans no matter what continent our great-grandfathers came from.

Statements like that are dangerous because it helps to fire the fears of white Africans who believe if power goes to the black majority they will lose everything! They are afraid that their country will become another Uganda or Ethiopia.

To say that the struggle in South Africa is black vs. white is to belittle the efforts of white Africans trying to bring about equality. Many whites have also been jailed by the

South African government, who cannot be forced to change at economic gunpoint. If economic pressure is such a powerful force, it must be used as a bargaining chip—not as a weapon. We must take a firm [stand] against apartheid, but not a threatening stance. The bottom line is fear, and fear leads to more violence. A bloody civil war in South Africa would help no one. We must work with both sides to bring about a peaceful settlement.

Tim Haggard
box 4087

Greeks

I am sure that the *Sidelines* editorial of September 10th entitled "Sororities can be snobbish, vain" has already elicited a large number of responses from students defending the Greek system on campus. As a newly pledged Chi Omega I also object to any inaccurate portrayal of my fraternal organization. My main objection to this piece of writing, however, is a purely journalistic one.

Mr. Gregor had every right as an

editorialist to express his unfavorable opinion of the Greek system. As a literary critic he also had every right to make his strong criticisms of Ms. Rose's book. But as a responsible journalist he had no right whatsoever to hide his editorial opinion behind the flimsy facade of a book review. Mr. Gregor further destroyed his credibility by choosing to entitle his criticism of this admittedly ludicrous book as if he were referring to the sororities on this campus. This was a blatantly sensationalist tactic by which Mr. Gregor truly insulted his readership.

As for the book "Rush: A Girl's Guide to Sorority Success," it no more represents the Greek system on this campus than Saturday morning cartoons represent real life. I thumbed through it in the bookstore after reading Mr. Gregor's piece and it is a badly written joke at which all Greeks can have a good laugh. I truly feel sorry for the author because I have gotten more out of my one month as a Chi Omega pledge than she seems to have gotten out of four years as an

initiated member of a sorority.

Well, I must wind this up now because it is time to head over to the library for my weekly sorority-sponsored study hall. In parting may I simply suggest that in the future Mr. Gregor learn the difference between particular journalistic genres and not be afraid to openly express his editorial opinions, however inaccurate they may be.

Katie Allison
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Philippines

I am writing this letter in response to the article in *Sidelines* concerning the Philippines, published September 6.

I am pleased that our newspaper is continuing its efforts to foster awareness of international issues. This is an important aspect of being a responsible university community.

We as Americans tend to assume that we know what is good for other countries more than citizens of

those countries. Being a highly technological, informed society with massive amounts of information at our disposal, this assumption may be valid.

Yet, a large portion of the people in the New People's Army are university-educated and have made a conscious decision from a knowledgeable viewpoint.

I agree that the United States must use its economic pull to further reform. I can't help but think, though, that the reform must come from the Philippine people. They are the ones who have experienced being treated as dispensable objects by a self-seeking government. They are aware of the national and cultural limitations of their country more than we.

We must not assume that our values concerning what is good or important are universal. Values come about organically, they are not imposed. We must, as a country, acknowledge this and respect the popular movements of other countries with this in mind.

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Features/Entertainment

U.S. enjoys freedoms that Chinese do not

By DWIGHT IRONS
Sidelines Staff Writer

"She [a young tour guide] majored in English. Her fiancé was sent to the northwest corner of China, which is 24 hours by train. He teaches Japanese in a small school," explains Dr. Chester Parker of the MTSU psychology department, as he illustrates one example of the interpersonal problems that exist in China. The state tells them where to work.

Parker recently returned from a trip to China and parts of the Soviet Union. He was one of 35 originally invited by the American Mental Health Counselors Association to visit mental health facilities and hospitals in major cities.

More emphatically than anything else, Parker expressed the friendliness of the Chinese people. "I can't emphasize enough the friendliness of the Chinese people. They invite you into their homes..."

The trip was organized primarily to visit and talk to psychologists and doctors in China. After the revolution of 1949, the institutions of higher learning were no longer allowed to grant Ph.D.s or M.D.s to their graduates. Training and education went on, nevertheless, though probably not as effectively as it has here.

"I would say that they're probably 30 to 40 years behind us," Parker says. "The only thing they probably need is a little more training in dealing with people."

An eagerness to learn was another characteristic of the Chinese people that struck Parker favorably. He explained how he met a boy who had learned to speak the English language by listening

to broadcasts on his transistor radio. He had no formal training to speak English, nor contact with any English speaking people, other than his transistor radio.

In China, the state determines who gets an education. "The government determines who goes to college. The government determines your job," Parker said.

I asked Parker if the state chooses your major once in college, as I frequently have trouble deciding mine, to which he replied, "I really don't know if you can choose your own major in college." I asked how they determine who gets to go to college.

"They have some kind of system of testing. It is strictly done by the state," Parker said.

Some of the social standards in China also struck Parker as peculiar. "They have a very interesting social standard. Bicycles are privately owned, but the number is limited." Bicycles are the main mode of transportation, and "no one owns an automobile privately."

Explaining the order of preference of privately owned commodities signaling an individual's level of affluence or status in society, he states that the bicycle is the most essential item, common to many and necessary for transportation. Once a Chinese person becomes a little more affluent, he is able to own a sewing machine. The next rung on the ladder of status is a circulating fan. After this is the radio. And the very affluent are able to privately own a television set.

The largest number of tourists in China are Japanese, asserts Parker. The biggest proportion of the population, out of 53 various ethnic

groups, are Huns.

"The attitude toward Americans is very positive", says Parker. "They want to learn English and gain access to American institutions of higher learning."

Another outstanding feature of China he pointed out was: "We were told we didn't need to lock anything. Our American tour guide visited [China] 45 times prior to this

time, and said that he never knew of anything being stolen."

The Chinese also seem to have a fondness for American tunes. It is not uncommon to hear a Chinese version of Amazing Grace in a disco, for example. And "Jingle Bells" is a very popular tune [in China], says Parker.

Contrary to their friendliness toward America and the West, there

is a lot of conflict between the Chinese and the Russians.

"The Chinese were so friendly, so open," Parker said, adding, "the first Russian we saw smiling was in a mental hospital."

Parker did see other Russians smiling, though. He believes them to have been laughing at his colorful, checkered trousers, as the Russians all dress in very dull, drab,

somber and colorless attire.

"Russians have a very paranoid approach," Parker asserts. "Russians will not associate with us."

"They will not allow any literature on Freud [to enter] Russia." Parker's Freudian text book was allowed in, nevertheless, after being inspected by a customs official.

On a more positive note, "Leningrad's a very beautiful city—one of the most beautiful cities I've ever seen. In the big cities [of the Soviet Union] there is a church on about every corner, but most are now used as museums. There were a few active ones, and those were pointed out to us," he said.

Another site which struck Parker as being beautiful was the Moscow subway, which is highly decorated with art and sculpture. "Murals and statues are in the subway. It was very beautiful."

From a more economic, practical point of view, Parker believes that soon there will be a tremendous amount of competition on the American markets from Chinese goods that will be greater than any foreign competition we have seen thus far.

"I don't think the competition Japan has been giving us is anything compared to that that the Chinese are going to give us!" Parker said.

The Chinese are diligent workers and take great pride in their work. Even in the countryside, the farmers take tremendous pride in the appearance of their fields.

Parker is presently investigating the possibility of teaching in China. He taught high school English in India for 12 1/2 years.

"I am just the type of guy who likes to see the world," Parker said.



Photo by Chester Parker

In China, the state decides who gets to have an education and who does not. This woman was obviously overlooked and probably struggles to get by selling food out of a yoke.

Center provides hope to patients

By KELLY ANDERSON
Sidelines Staff Writer

Frank and Nancy McElroy began to realize, after helping several mentally retarded persons through their home, that there was a need to form a care facility for the mentally retarded in the Murfreesboro area. Thus, in 1949, the Louisa Developmental Center was founded.

Originally, they started the care facility several blocks from the current location at 512 Highland Ave. As the center grew, it was handed over to their son, James, and they decided to buy the building the center is in today.

Although the center is situated on five acres of land, it is, perhaps, the smallest facility of its kind in the U.S. Because the center is not a state institution, they are not required to serve just Tennessee. They have had residents from about every state at one time or another.

Primarily, everyone at Louisa is mentally retarded, however, some have cerebral palsy and severe seizure disorders. There is no age limit to how old a resident can be as long as he/she is healthy.

However, one must be at least 10 years of age to be admitted. Most of the center's residents function on the level of a 2 to 5 year old. Their IQ levels range from lower than that and can be measured to the 50s. Of the 76 residents, 21 are 22 years-of-age or younger. The rest are older, ranging from 22 to about 50.

When someone gets admitted, Louisa's staff assesses the person from head to toe in every way. This includes educationally, mentally, vocationally, medically, socially and recreationally.

After being admitted, a roommate of the same sex is then chosen. The staff chooses people with the same attitudes, medical needs and behavioral patterns. Of course, if the patient has a preference for a

roommate this is considered and they try to put them in the same room; thus, friendships start.

While at Louisa, the younger patients go to public schools by bus. Such schools include: Central Middle School, Riverdale High School and Oakland High School, to name a few. The older residents go to individual classes taught by staff at Louisa.

Louisa also provides recreational facilities. They have a four-foot swimming pool with special filters. Basketball and volleyball are also played. Louisa has everything any patient would want recreationally, except a track.

Because the patients get attached to volunteers so easily, day-

to-day volunteer programs have stopped. However, tons of volunteers for the Special Olympics are allowed. Not only are the volunteers from MTSU's fraternities and sororities, but also from the Recreation Department.

The Louisa Developmental Center is an approved internship center for college students; however there are none at this time. Most of the interns have been from the psychology, special education, recreation and sociology departments.

John Angelopoulos, assistant administrator of Louisa, feels internships are important. "What we do is provide experience. There is no price tag on any experience one

can get. This way the student can apply his classwork to the real work environment."

Theoretically, Louisa Developmental Center has every service a human being needs from the moment of birth to about the 6 to 7-year-old.

Mr. Angelopoulos sums it up by saying, "I think Louisa's the best. We have some problems, everybody does, but we've taught people to walk who people said could not. We've had doctors say someone is going to die in six months and now they're as healthy as anyone else. We've taught people to do things by themselves. I think we're real, real good. I think we're the best, but we're not perfect either."

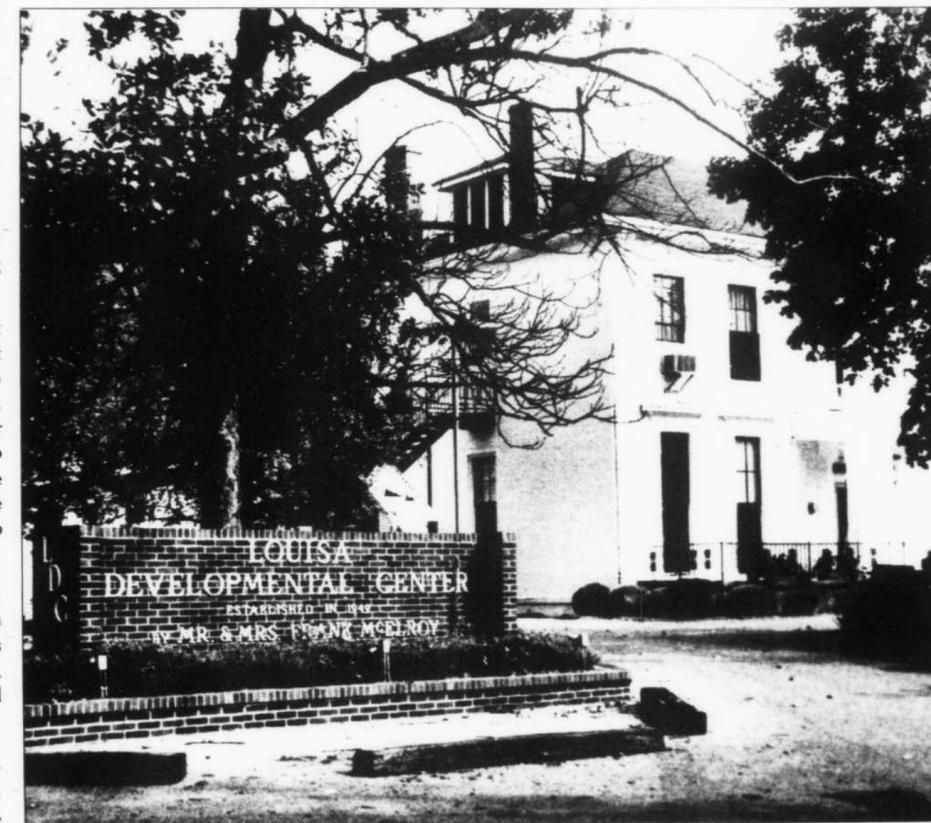


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The Louisa Developmental Center, located on the corner of Highland and Bell Streets, serves the mentally handicapped and currently hosts 76 patients, ranging in ages from 10 to 50.

New albums promising



By DANIEL PACE
Sidelines Staff Writer

Will R.E.M. ever make a bad album? *Fables of Reconstruction*, their third LP, does nothing to make me believe they will.

When it was learned that Athens, Ga.'s favorite sons would be going to England to record, a collective gasp was heard from R.E.M.'s growing cult following.

Although producer Joe Boyd did not radically change their basic style, there were a few minor changes, such as the introduction of violins and horns to R.E.M.'s basic approach.

The first song on the album, "Feeling Gravity's Pull," shows that maybe R.E.M. should not experiment. Although not bad by top 40 standards, the violins do nothing for the song.

"Maps and Legends" gets back to the basics for R.E.M. Although not one of their best, it offers a glimmer of hope for the rest of the album. That hope turns into reality with "Driver 8," probably the best song on the album. The country-pop hooks laid down by Bill Berry make it listenable to almost everyone.

Side two begins with the current single from the album, "Can't Get Down From Here." This cut is vintage R.E.M., very danceable with great vocals by Michael Stipe and all of R.E.M.'s sensibilities.

"Green Grow the Rushes" reveals the band's ability to take the sound of the 60s (in this case the Byrds) and make it sound as new or newer than the current number one song on the charts.

This is not a major step forward for R.E.M. Many of the things that make this album good are the same things that made their previous releases cause the critics to take notice.

R.E.M.'s gift for the pop melody,

combined with their appreciation of their predecessor's music, such as The Velvet Underground, the Byrds and many country stars of the 50s and 60s, make their music appealing to the fans of the underground music scene.

Since *Murmur*, R.E.M. has stagnated somewhat. Although not regressing necessarily, R.E.M. has basically decided to stick to what they have already had success with. For their fans, this is probably just fine.



Australia was once one of the vast musical wastelands of the world. But now, with the emergence of the exciting new music that is sweeping America and England, the Australians have caught on and exported The Church to the rest of the world.

It is very hard to put *Remote Luxury* into a musical perspective. At times they are folk and other times they border on the psychedelic.

Probably the best two of these love songs are "No Explanation" and "Into My Hands." "No Explanation" is a light folk song about someone fed up with a girlfriend, while "Into My Hands" is a pessimistic look (if not indifferent) at love.

The chorus of "Into My Hands" reveals the band's attitude when the leader of the band, Steven Killy, proclaims that love is "never as good as I hoped, or as bad as I feared."

"Maybe These Boys" is a Velvet Underground-type song with Lou Reed-style vocals. "Volumes" seems to try to teach us a lesson by telling us not to forget the past. The song has a subtle anti-war theme, which one can conclude is aimed at the U.S.

The Church is a promising young band. They were well produced on this album, with all of the guitars coming through very clearly.

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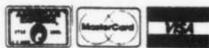


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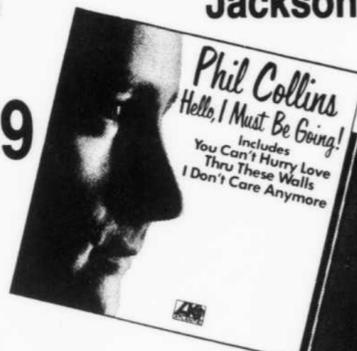


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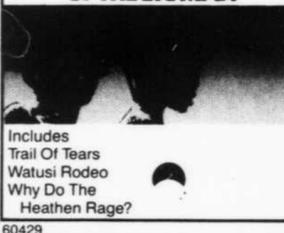
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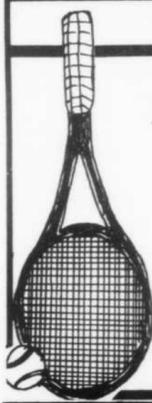
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Sports

Gridders face Georgia Southern

Coming off of an opening-day win at home against Lenoir-Rhyne, the Blue Raiders take to the road this week to face division I-AA powerhouse Georgia Southern.

Last year the 6th-ranked Eagles came to Floyd Stadium expecting to pick off the 8th-ranked Raiders with little trouble. A little trouble is what they got. MTSU routed the Eagles in a 42-7 game.

That, of course, was last year, and the times have since changed. This season the Blue Raiders travel to Statesboro to play in the hot September sunlight. That's just what Georgia Southern Coach Erk Russell wants. He purposely delayed the installation of stadium lights to prevent this game from being played in the cooler twilight hours.

MTSU coach Boots Donnelly

said earlier this week that only under the circumstance that the lights couldn't be installed by game time would the afternoon game take place.

Michael Freeman
Interim Sports Editor

"I found out later that he had no intention of putting up the lights

until after they played us," Donnelly said.

Be that as it may be, the Blue Raider coaching staff is not crying. Instead they are taking measures to prepare the Boys in Blue to take the heat and torture of the Georgia opponents.

"We are going to make them wear heat-trapping clothing under their practice uniforms, and are going to practice during the day instead of at night," Donnelly said.

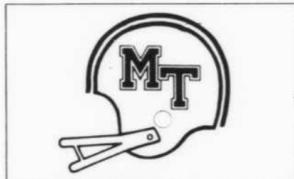
The word out of Statesboro is a good one. The powerhouse team that last year posed something of a threat, at least by rank, appears to have gone the way of so many other great football programs after a season full of seniors. They are hurting—badly.

"MTSU will kill us," Russell said during an interview Wednesday. "I'm not trying to make things sound good for MTSU, I'm just stating the truth."

"With runners like Tony Burse," he continued, "and Gerald Anderson, I seriously doubt if our defense

can hold."

Although they were returning 15 starters from last year's team, the official number, due to injuries, etc., will be much lower.



A not so pessimistic Tracy Ham, the Eagle's quarterback, is back and looking forward to the game with MTSU.

"The game hopefully won't be as lop-sided this time," Ham said Wednesday. "I feel that with the way Coach Donnelly prepares his team, it will be a very close game."

Ham went on to say that many key positions were left open by graduation, and that they really had to rebuild.

"We lost our center. Jay Morrison has looked in to take his place,"

Ham continued. "I've been working with him most of the summer and he shouldn't have much trouble coping."

Many Georgia Southern players don't feel that the intense summer heat will play much of a role in Saturday's game.

"MTSU is a well-conditioned team and they won't come down here not ready for the heat," Melvin Bell, tight end for the Eagles, said.

On the other side of the coin, Raider Coach Boots Donnelly has expressed little concern with Dick Martin and the Blue Raider kicking game.

"Martin surprised us with the maturity he showed against Lenoir-Rhyne," said Donnelly. "I'm not worried about the field goals—they will come in time."

Donnelly expressed confidence in his hiring corps and said they should perform as well as last week.

This week's game is in Statesboro, Ga. and begins at 12:30 p.m. CDT.

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Rose hitting record likely to stand eternal

CINCINNATI (UPI) In the last 11 years, baseball fans have watched two of the sport's mightiest records fall.

Hank Aaron cracked his 715th home run in 1974, eclipsing the career total of Babe Ruth. On Wednesday night, Cincinnati player-manager Pete Rose collected his 4,192nd hit—one more than Ty Cobb managed. Rose finished the night with career 4,193 hits.

Neither record was ever believed to be in reach. The obvious question becomes whether Rose's record will ever be broken.

"No sir," said San Diego manager Dick Williams. "I don't think the players will play that long. I don't think anybody will play 20-odd years. They'll be too rich to stay around. It takes a special guy like Rose and there are not many of them around."

San Diego right-fielder Tony Gwynn, who won the National League batting title last season with a .351 average and 213 hits, agreed with his manager.

"There's no way anybody's going to break that record," he said. "Look at the guys on this team. Tempy (29-year-old shortstop Garry Templeton) has 1,400 and he's been playing since he was 21. I have about 500."

To even dream of approaching Rose's mark, a player would have to meet very specific qualifications. First, he would either bat left-handed, as Cobb did, or be a switch-hitter as Rose is. Otherwise, the frequent battles against right-handed pitching would hurt even the best hitters. Sorry, Cal Ripken.

Second, the player would need the dedication common to Cobb and Rose. Cobb was a savage, driven player with no toleration for defeat. He once chastised his roommate for attempting to take the bathtub first.

Rose, on the other hand, plays the game with enjoyment, with an appreciation for his opponents' skill. His dedication to victory is no less than Cobb's, however.

Further, any aspirant to Rose's mark must play at least 22 years—an increasingly difficult assignment in this era. For one thing, the travel is wearing. More importantly, a player good enough to average nearly 200 hits per season would also require a huge salary. No ball club could support him for a quarter of a century.

"A lot of guys have a desire and ability to accomplish what I did," Rose said. "Wade Boggs (of Boston) is as good a hitter as anybody."

When pressed, however, Rose could not name one player which actually has a shot. He suggested, though, that the designated hitter rule could eventually help generate a run toward his mark. It would, for example, allow a player to avoid injury in the field.

"I sorta like it," he said. "I like anything that creates more interest for the fans. If you add more offense, it creates more interest for the fans."

Finally, the player must possess the strength to remain productive while aging. Rose offered one statistic to illustrate. He said someone told him only three players achieved 2,000 hits after their 30th birthday—himself, Cobb, and Stan Musial.

"It's one thing to get hits when you're 31, 32, 33, 34," he said. "But when you get to 37 and 38, people who have been getting 200 hits a year don't do that anymore."

Baseball team opens fall season

FROM STAFF REPORTS: As the major league bats swing toward the World Series, and other baseball leagues die down and get ready to take some time off for Christmas, the MTSU baseball team prepares itself for a fall exhibition season.

Coach John Stanford has much hope for the fall baseball team, with the additions that a new school year has brought.

"We've had a lot of walk-ons that I am really excited about," Stanford said. "There are also a lot of junior-college people that we've signed that should help the team." Stanford said earlier this week that this team should be a strong competitor in the conference.

"I hope that as the year goes on they will prove my predictions correct," Stanford said.

In the first scrimmage of the season Wednesday against Aquinas Junior College, four Blue Raiders belted home runs. Allen Colburn, Chip Cames, Bobby Tribbey and Andy Holmes hit the ball outside the fence for the Blue.

The hitting was one of the teams stronger points, Stanford said. The only real problem lies in the pitching, which Stanford thinks will improve as the season goes along.

"That's something that is always a problem this early in the season," Stanford said. "We'll work it out."

The Blue Raiders continue their season next Wednesday at home against Aquinas Junior College.



MTSU track and field runners Angie Allison, Sherrie Bingham, and Ursala Langford prepare themselves for the '85-'86 season.

1985 BLUE RAIDER FALL BASEBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Location	Date	Opponent	Location
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Sept 11	Cumberland	Home	Oct 5	Roane State Junior College	Home
Sept 18	Aquinas	Home	Oct 8	Columbia State	Away
Sept 21	Columbia State	Home	Oct 11	Cleveland State Junior College	Home
Sept 22	Cumberland	Away	Oct 13	Vanderbilt University	Away
Sept 25	Columbia State	Home	Oct 15	Cumberland	Home
Sept 26	Martin Junior College	Home	Oct 20	Cumberland	Away
Sept 28	Walter State Junior College	Home	Oct 26	Western Kentucky	Home
Sept 29	North Alabama University	Away	Oct 27	North Alabama University	Home
Oct 1	Columbia State	Away			

Campus putter, Zack, places second

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FROM STAFF REPORTS: MTSU sophomore Richard Zack, Jr. placed 2nd in the Lomma International Miniature Golf Tournament at Mt. Pocono on Sept. 7. A total of 12 "putt-putt" golfers from several states in New England and the South East gathered in Scranton, Pa. for the annual tournament.

To qualify for the tournament Zack had to play 10 rounds of golf, with a score of 45 or less. The winners of these rounds must then participate in two final rounds, the victors of which go to Mt. Pocono. Zack won both of the two final rounds with scores of 32 and 36, and off to Pennsylvania he went.

Lomma paid for Zack's hotel accommodations, and several meals besides, which Zack said, "really helped." He felt that many golfers who could easily have qualified for the tournament could not participate due to the problem of financing the trip.

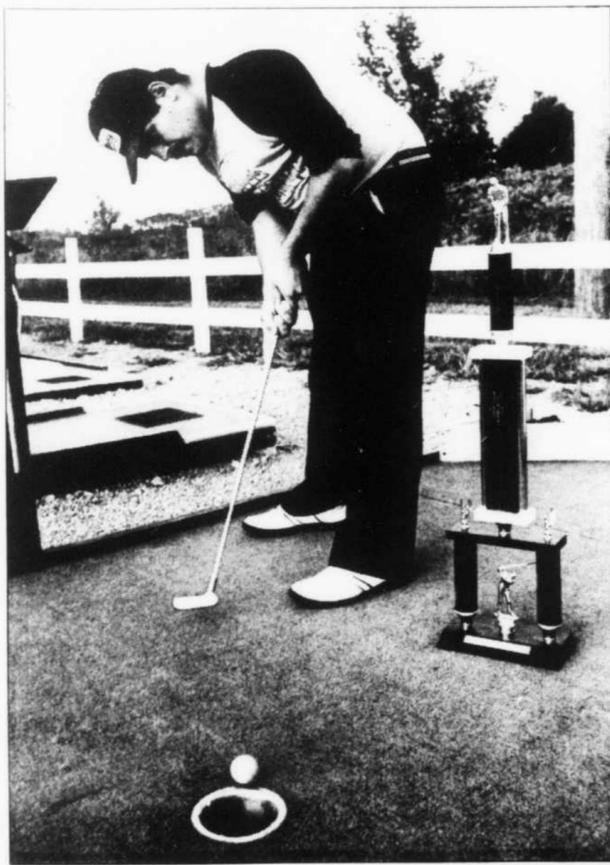
Zack's final score of the tournament, 80 points, a combination of the scores from two rounds, was one point short of the champion's score.

Zack began playing golf in high school, and later changed to mini, or putt-putt golf because the size of the putt-putt golf courses are considerably smaller than a regular course. Because there are 18 holes, however, accuracy is more important than distance in putt-putt golf.

A new magazine entitled *Golf Illustrated* sent a reporter to cover

the event at Mt. Pocono. The first issue is due to be on the newsstands by November.

Zack's prizes included a 2nd place trophy and a check for \$250.00.



Richard Zack shows his winning form at a local golf course

Tennis team plays perfect

FROM STAFF REPORTS:

Perfect
When the University of the South tennis team arrived on the Greenland Drive tennis courts Wednesday that's the exact words used to describe the performance of the MTSU tennis teams.

On that day the Raiders won 9-0 and head coach Dick LaLance hopes that this will mark the beginning of a very good year for the team.

"From what I've seen, I'm hopeful," LaLance said. "The first real test for us will come in two weeks when we participate in the Murray St. tournament."

The University of the South proved to be a weaker opponent than LaLance had hoped.

"I wanted them to play us a little tougher," LaLance said. If they had I would have a little better understanding as to how competitive our team will be during the coming season."

LaLance said that if the team plays as well as it has throughout the rest of the season it should be an OVC contender.

Murray State, the Raider's toughest competition, has won the conference title five consecutive years and is also expected to be near the top of the rankings when the OVC tournaments roll around in April.

LaLance said that it was the strong play of his freshmen that makes him enthusiastic about their chances.

"The younger players proved their worth to me in their play," LaLance said. "Anson Chilcutt and Chuck LaLance both had outstanding matches."

Chilcutt, a freshman, downed Wiggins King in straight sets 6-1, 6-0.

Chuck LaLance, the coach's nephew, proved he could hold his own by capping Hal Cummings 6-0, 6-1.

In other action David Wehrle squeezed by Pat Guerry in the first set of their match 7-6, but scored a decisive win in the second 6-2.

Ken Ventimiglia took Tom Harris 6-2, 6-1.

Chris King bopped Michael Salisbury 6-2, 6-2, and Australian Ilmar Multi roared by Boyd Douglas 6-2, 6-1.

Golf tryouts set

Try-outs for the 1985-86 MTSU golf team will be held Wednesday, Sept. 18, and 19 at the Old Fort Park Golf Course beginning each day at 3 p.m.

Those interested in the open try-outs should contact Coach Jimmy Earle on campus at extension 2450 on or before 4 p.m. Monday, Sept. 16.

The open try-outs will consist of 36 holes of golf, 18 each day.

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